

Borough of Waterford Council

Minutes, October 8, 2015 Special Meeting

Council Members Present:

Judy Cline, Karen Molitor, Kevin Gardner Barry Pugh

Other attendees:

No others in attendance

The Waterford Water Authority held a meeting the same night and time so the meeting was called to order in the Waterford Borough office at 7:00 p.m. by councilperson Judy Cline, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Executive Session was called by councilperson Judy Cline at 7:03 p.m. to discuss new truck negotiations. Executive Session was completed and meeting re-opened at 7:05 p.m. Councilperson Judy Cline thanked councilperson Karen Molitor and the streets department, Scott Greggs and Craig Grey for all their diligent efforts in securing several quotes on new truck, new accessories, costs involved with moving old bed, hydraulics, plow over to new truck, trade-in of old truck option, with or without accessories, problems that could arise if council decides to move old bed, hydraulics, plow to new truck and advantages and disadvantages of both that and buying all new. Council could make a good decision on a lot of information provided for both scenarios old versus new.

Councilperson Barry Pugh motioned to purchase the new Ford truck along with new spreader, plow, hydraulics for \$72,127.91. Kevin Gardner seconded. All in favor.

Councilperson Judy Cline discussed the catch basin at 4th & High. We received 3 quotes, the best quote was from McCormick for around \$6200.00. In a previous meeting council discussed with Scott and Craig if they could take a look at it to see if they could repair the basin themselves. They have done so and are concerned because it is next to High Street, with the heavy volume of traffic, closing it off and also with the busiest time for leaf season starting on Monday the 12th, getting equipment such as the sweeper ready for use that this would leave them with very little time for leaf pick up. They expressed a few concerns about the actual replacement of the basin and would rather have a contractor do the work and they can view at certain times or would rather wait until Spring or Summer for them to do the work. The Highway Occupancy Permit expires January, 2016, however we can apply for another one if work is done later than Jan. 2016. Council decided to bring subject up at the October 12th meeting.

The livestock ordinance which will be reviewed at the October 12th meeting was discussed and councilperson Judy Cline noted that a resident had complained about a neighbor's rooster making a lot of noise and interrupting the neighborhood with their noisemaking.

Councilperson Karen Molitor noted that the borough had received monies from the Firemen's Relief Act from the state for over \$7000.00. The state requires that the monies be transferred to that local municipality and then the municipality writes a check to the Firemen's Relief Fund local organization. Councilperson Barry Pugh motioned for councilperson Judy Cline and secretary Stacy Mattson to sign the check, seconded by councilperson Kevin Gardner. All in favor.

Councilperson Barry Pugh made a motion for councilperson Karen Molitor and secretary Stacy Mattson to have access to the borough safe deposit box at PNC Bank, seconded by Kevin Gardner. All in favor.

Councilperson Barry Pugh inquired about the total burning ban subject brought up by councilperson Judy Cline at the August meeting. Councilperson Judy Cline submitted and had made copies of many reports from the EPA and other federal and state agencies about the dangers and hazards of open burning and campfires. There have been countless studies done by the EPA, many state agencies and organizations and all are in agreement that there are countless dangers for open burning and campfires, especially to children and people with jeopardized health systems, especially being exposed numerous times. They have been found to be much more lethal than cigarette smoke. Councilperson Barry Pugh made a motion to burn all trash/burning barrel burning. This excludes fires used for cooking purposes only. Discussion was held about the many complaints over the years from residents from burning in trash barrels. Councilperson Barry Pugh motioned for borough solicitor Ed Betza to draft and advertise an amended open burning ordinance. Councilperson Kevin Gardner seconded. All in favor.

Councilperson Judy Cline called for another executive session to discuss a few personnel issues at 7:15. Out of executive session at 7:30 p.m.

Councilperson Judy Cline asked for approval of the September 22, 2015 and October 1, 2015 special meeting minutes. Councilperson Barry Pugh motioned to approve both and councilperson Karen Molitor seconded. All in favor.

Councilperson Kevin Gardner began discussion of the list of old and used pieces of equipment and/or accessories the borough would like to sell. Discussion that Greater Erie Auto Auction is having a large auction on Halloween. Discussions were held on the various pieces of equipment available, how do we determine the value and having problem selling them before. After lengthy discussions amongst members, councilperson Karen Molitor motioned for Kevin Gardner to have the authority on behalf of the borough to work with the auction in listing the items for sale (Items 1 2 3 4 and 5, everything but the old truck which is being used as a trade-in) and councilpersons Barry Pugh and Kevin Gardner to determine a fair commission for the borough and a minimum bidding price. Councilperson Barry Pugh seconded. All in favor.

Councilperson Karen Molitor mentioned that the new garage doors should be installed week of October 12th through the 19th and that the streets department will begin leaf pick up same week. Streets department to also stir up storm sewers and use the newly purchased streets sweeper to clean them out.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes prepared by councilperson Judy Cline