

## **Borough of Waterford Council**

### **Meeting Minutes – July 10, 2017**

#### **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, Tim Williams and Garry Sargent. Also in attendance Melanie Hoover from Solicitor Ed Betza's office and Secretary Stacy Mattson.

#### **Others in Attendance**

Una Mae Van Dyke, Doris Becker, Hazel Thomas, Ken Thomas, Linda Petrick, Corinne Zaffino, Susan Osborn, Eric Mitchell, Mike Pennock, Joe Petrick and Vivian Pietrzak

#### **Public Comment**

Several residents voiced their concerns concerning the reverse angle parking. Several business owners stated that they are losing business, or feel they will, due to the new parking. Jeff Horneman stated that this could be reversed, it is only paint on the road. Jeff also suggested that we need to give this some time, as many people did not like the roundabout at first, but now many people do like it. Other residents also stated that we need to give it a chance, mentioning reverse angle parking is the same as parallel parking. Harry replied to a question about enforcing the parking, noting that our Code Enforcement officers, Don Spence and Dave Senger have the authority by the Mayor to give parking tickets. Jeff stated that we have a good group of council members, and they are here to support and protect the community. The vote was unanimous, and council felt that we should give it a try.

#### **Minutes**

Judy Cline motioned to approve the minutes as presented, with one wording change on page 3. Tim Williams seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

## **Bills**

Tim Williams motioned to pay the bills as presented with one correction to Waterford Hardware, as we received bills that belonged to the Municipal Authority and we are holding on Waste Management at this time as we are working on this. Judy Cline seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

Jeff stated that we have the bill from Russell Standard for the paving that is now completed. The bill is for \$30,650.60. Judy Cline motioned to pay the bill as presented. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

## **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Justin is absent. Jeff Horneman stated that per Justin, the blighted properties are being pursued.

## **President's Report**

Jeff stated that Erie County Council will be holding a meeting at the Municipal Building on Tuesday, July 25<sup>th</sup>. Erie County Assoc. of Boroughs will be holding their picnic/meeting, let Stacy know if you plan to attend. Jeff stated that our part-time employee has given notice. Jeff noted Stacy has 2 applications. Jeff mentioned we could run an ad, with wage being \$12 to \$15 an hour, up to 30 hours a week. Jeff mentioned Kevin is working on the employee manual, which needs to be looked at again, also having Ed Betza review it. Jeff discussed a grant he applied for, to paint the garage. Jeff mentioned the donated properties that Ed Betza looked at, we will discuss at the next meeting. Jeff mentioned the refund coming from the bridge inspections, which is about \$3,000. Marvin Cross was supposed to be at the meeting, he wanted to bid on the tar & chip project. Harry stated they got 5 estimates and 4 stated they would not use our reclaimed stone. Waterford Paving was the only one that would use our stone. Jeff mentioned Joe's Auto Parts, noting that Jesse is continuing to work on the building. Jeff has a contract for renewal for BIU. Jeff is going to see if there are other opportunities, also asking Ed Betza to review this.

## **Streets**

Harry mentioned that the deadline for PennDot and McCormick is July 21<sup>st</sup>. Harry mentioned that there are areas that are retaining water, noting 4<sup>th</sup> and High St. had a significant water problem. Harry noted that they are working with a punch

list, and the Borough will not sign off until it is all completed. Harry discussed the work the guys have been doing in the parks to get ready for Celebrate Waterford Days. Harry also mentioned damage done by a third party, which will be followed up on. Harry discussed the lines being painted for the crosswalks, having received an estimate from Seal n Stripe for \$1,385.00. Tim motioned to have Seal n Stripe do the project at the estimated price of \$1,385.00. Garry seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed. Harry asked if we should get quotes for doing the municipal lots, at Jake's, the Waterford Hotel and the municipal building parking lot. Harry will get estimates.

### **Parks**

Judy noted that Harry and people from community service trimmed trees at the park.

Harry mentioned the bridge at West 4<sup>th</sup> Street needs signage. Harry mentioned the speed limit signs, stating that the School District has asked for speed limit signs on High St. Harry will get 2 signs. St. Peters Church has asked for no parking on 3<sup>rd</sup> St. as they regained some greenspace and they want to topsoil and seed it, but they want no parking. Jeff stated that this is a state road, we cannot do this.

Harry stated that he would remind Dave of some pothole work that needs to be done. Jeff mentioned a letter he received complimenting the work done in the parks.

Jeff mentioned in closing that sometimes council has to make difficult decisions and the parking was a difficult decision. It is not Council's intent to hurt anybody, they were hoping to make the Borough a better place. Jeff said we will welcome any feedback. Jeff mentioned all the good that has been going on in the Borough, with the new roundabout, the new stop light and the new traffic light to be installed by 2019. Unfortunately, there was no mention of any of this.

Judy Cline motioned to adjourn the meeting. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.