

## **Borough of Waterford Council**

### **Meeting Minutes – December 4, 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, Garry Sargent, Tim Williams, Kevin Gardner and Jeff Smith. Also in attendance Melanie Hoover from Ed Betza's office and Secretary Stacy Mattson.

#### **Others in Attendance**

Rich Galbraith, Joey Galbraith, Tacie Thomas, Liam Thomas, Stephanie Cox and Doris Becker.

#### **Public Comment**

Jeff welcomed members of Cub Scout Pack 58 to the meeting. No public comment.

#### **Minutes**

Garry Sargent motioned to accept the minutes as presented, Tim Williams seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

#### **Bills**

Judy Cline motioned to accept the bills as presented, Kevin Gardner seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

#### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Justin Blose mentioned we are still moving forward with blighted properties. Justin noted there are no vendors in the park at this time, and the nativity will be set up as usual, not requiring a permit. Justin mentioned we may be having another car show in town.

## **President's Report**

President Jeff Horneman stated that he had talked to Jesse Fiske and Jesse said he has half of the masonry work on the inside wall done and next plans to tear down the garage and work on the roof. Jesse stated that summer months are busy, so the crew will continue work in the winter months. Jeff mentioned the carpet that was installed with thanks to the streets crew for the installation. Jeff mentioned the \$900 that was spent to fix the floor. Jeff mentioned the kitchenette area and what to do with the floor, it was decided to carpet this area. Dave mentioned that the speed signs went up last week and Garry Sargent noted that the Stalker Radar will be coming soon. Harry mentioned the speed limit and the resolution from 2002. Melanie stated that we should just do a new one. Harry will send an e-mail to Council to do this in January or February. Jeff discussed having Elderkin Law Firm as our law firm and Urban Engineers as our engineering firm for next year. This will be brought up at the reorganization meeting in January.

## **Streets**

Harry Latta stated that we are done with leaves for the year. Harry noted the fact that this is his last meeting, his two year term is over. Harry stated it has been enjoyable and many good things have been accomplished. Harry mentioned work to be done next year on 5<sup>th</sup> Street, which Dave will be working on. Harry mentioned the new water line the Municipal Authority is installing on 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Harry mentioned a few projects on several streets that Dave will continue to work on.

## **Old/New Business**

Judy Cline inquired about the lot next to the elementary school, where the house was torn down. It was noted that it will be a parking lot for the elementary school. Jeff mentioned a thank-you note from the Library Board for the use of the building for Colonial Christmas, which was very successful.

## **Budget**

Jeff discussed the budget and noted there will be no tax increase and the firemen's contribution has been increased to \$10,000.00 to support the full-time EMT. He noted we rolled over \$20,000.00 for next year for streets. We rolled over \$2,500.00 for parks and we also added \$5,000.00 for a sidewalk program. We also put \$35,000.00 into savings for reserve. We saved on insurance by going

with a part-time streets employee and we also only had 1 employee for part of the summer. We also reduced our engineering fees from \$15,000.00 to \$5,000.00 as we have no projects at this time. Jeff noted he is very pleased with the budget, which is balanced at \$427,876.46. Harry Latta motioned to accept this budget as the first reading, Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

Judy Cline motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 pm, Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.