

## **Borough of Waterford Council**

### **Meeting Minutes – May 7, 2018**

#### **Opening**

Vice-President Tim Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation.

#### **Council Members Present**

Tim Williams, Judy Cline, Kevin Gardner, Garry Sargent, Jeff Smith and Tim (TJ) Laflamme. Also in attendance Solicitor Ed Betza and Secretary Stacy Mattson.

#### **Others in Attendance**

Jeff Herman, Benny Hunt, Doris Becker, Stephanie Cox, Yvonne Hawley, Pam Rouchi, Linda Petrick, Jeff Osborn, Margaret Osborn, Ryne Rutkowski, Una Mae Van Dyke, Joe Petrick, Garrett Reinwald, Kevin Malencia, Julie Simon, Kim Kosienki, Mike Allgier, Betty Orr, Vivian Pietrzak, Bill Pietrzak, George Loren, Janet Loren and Julia Coffin.

#### **Public Comment**

Ryne Rutkowski, Chief of Stancliff Hose Co. spoke on behalf of Stancliff Hose Co. stating there were 670 calls last year and 137 calls so far this year. He stated there are 25 on the roster, but only about 10 or 12 active. He encouraged anybody that was interested in volunteering, they have many jobs to do and they would find a fit for anybody that volunteered. He noted that they have several vehicles that are from the 80's that they are looking to replace in the next 2-3 years, at a cost of \$400,000 to \$500,000. Ryne also stated that in their path forward sometime in the future they would like to get together with Waterford Borough Council and also Waterford Township officials to discuss a few things and work together. Ron Jagta then spoke, leaving a copy of their financial statement for the Borough. Ron stated they operate on \$250,000 to \$350,000 a year. They are fully financed and with no wages, they need approximately \$500,000 a year. They are looking at doing a restoration of the Fire Hall, with the last restoration being done in 1990. The fire truck is 38 ½ feet long and the Fire Hall is 43 feet deep. The fund drive is currently on and Ron handed out some flyers. Ron stated that about 28% have donated to the fund drive in the past. Ron stated that many neighboring municipalities have hired part-time paid employees to cover daytime and week-end hours. Kevin Valencia discussed sidewalks, mentioning the church on 3<sup>rd</sup> and Old State. Kevin questioned painting lines instead of replacing the sidewalk. A resident mentioned the work on 1<sup>st</sup> Street, this was referred to the Municipal Authority. Several residents spoke concerning the back-in parking.

### **Bid Opening**

Two bids were received for Milling and Patching:

- Waterford Paving                      \$7,875.00
- Cross Paving                              \$9,690.00

Garry Sargent motioned to award the Milling and Patching to Waterford Paving for a price of \$7,875.00. Tim (TJ) Laflamme seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

### **Minutes**

Judy Cline motioned to accept the minutes as presented for April 2, 2018. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

### **Bills**

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

### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Justin Blose discussed the request from the American Legion to hold their Memorial Day Parade. 5K will also be happening the Thursday before Waterford Days, so there will be some temporary road closings. Justin also state we are getting requests for park vendors, with a limit of four at a time.

### **Community Yard Sale**

It is confirmed that the Community Yard Sale will be held the first week-end in June. It will be advertised in the newspaper and a banner will be hung on the backstop at the park.

### **President's Report**

President Jeff Horneman was not present. Vice-President Tim Williams discussed a zoning variance request. It is actually a request to sub-divide the frontage into a smaller width than is normally required. Judy Cline motioned to grant the variance in width for Bruce Coffin. Jeff Smith seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed. Jeff Smith motioned to accept the cable TV contract that was discussed last month. Tim (TJ) Laflamme seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

### **Streets**

Vice-President Tim Williams discussed the fact that the International needs new tires. Jeff Smith motioned to purchase the recapped tires from Gormont Tire for a price of \$1,100.00. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed. Discussion was held about purchasing a Quickie saw with a price of \$999.96 from Waterford Hardware and a price of \$799.96 for a Stihl brand from Gerlach's. We will discuss this next month after we review the warranties, etc. Discussion was held concerning 2<sup>nd</sup> St. parking. It was decided to remove the odd/even parking on 2<sup>nd</sup> St. until the winter months. This will be temporary and possibly do a new ordinance. Jeff Smith motioned to temporarily remove the odd/even parking signs on 2<sup>nd</sup> St. between Walnut St. and High St. Tim (TJ) Laflamme seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed. Tim

discussed temporarily allowing parking on Walnut Street on the east side from 5<sup>th</sup> Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Jeff Smith motioned to temporarily allow parking on Walnut Street on the east side from 5<sup>th</sup> Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Judy Cline seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

Garry Sargent stated that he talked to Brian Smith from PennDOT and everything has been approved for the calming devices. Tom Church will be giving us an estimate for the electric to put the signs up. We are a pilot program for the state of Pennsylvania, meaning we are the first to do this. Tim Williams mentioned getting a new laptop for the garage. Justin said he would like to get some prices first, and we also need to make sure it will work with the calming devices.

### **Parks**

Judy Cline stated that she talked to Mr. Humphries and they are all set to do the clean-up in the park with the students on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Judy notified Dave to get the mulch, Judy will get the flowers and Stacy will order the pizza and water for the students. Judy then discussed the meeting she attended along with Justin and Jeff, for the EGRA Grant Façade program. It will be for businesses located between the Historical Society campus and the red light. It will be a 50/50 match up to \$2,000.00, with half from EGRA and half from the store owner. Judy stated it can be for signs, paint, doors, etc., anything but landscaping. Judy stated that they would have the applications in about a month. Melinda Meyers then explained the Preservation Erie program in more detail. Tim (TJ) Laflamme motioned to move forward with the Preservation Erie Grant Façade program. Jeff Smith seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

### **New/Old Business**

Jeff Smith discussed the fact that we reserved \$5,000.00 in our budget for a Rebate Reimbursement Program. The first 10 applicants will be eligible for up to \$500.00 rebate each. Jeff Smith motioned to award the first 10 applicants up to a \$500.00 rebate program to fix sidewalks. Tim (TJ) Laflamme seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

Tim (TJ) Laflamme motioned to adjourn the meeting, Judy Cline seconded the motion. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.