

**Waterford Borough
Meeting Minutes – February 3, 2020**

President Tim E. LaFlamme called the meeting to order at 7pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation.

Council Members Present

Judy Cline, Garry Sargent, Kevin Gardner, Timothy E. LaFlamme and Beth Weldon. Also in attendance Solicitor Ed Betza and Mayor Chad French.

Others in Attendance

Doris Becker, Mike & Pauline Grill, Mary Powell and Dave Senger.

Public Comment

Doris Becker inquired about the agenda being provided before the meeting via website, bulletin board and on the chairs for the public. Mary Powell inquired about the agreement with Penndot for the traffic light north of Waterford, noting there was discussion about having something put in place for an advance warning. Dave Senger inquired about attending training for Zoning.

Minutes

Beth Weldon stated that she volunteered for the Shade Tree Commission but her name is not listed on the attachment to the minutes. Judy Cline motioned to approve the minutes as amended with Beth's name, Kevin Gardner seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Bills

Judy Cline motioned to pay the bills as presented. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Mike and Pauline Grill from Construction Code Inspectors introduced themselves and spoke about their company and thanked the borough for selecting them to be the building inspectors for Waterford Borough. Discussion followed with questions and answers from council members and the community.

President Tim E. discussed the need for a new computer for the tax collector. Garry Sargent motioned to approve the purchase of a new computer for the tax collector, with a limit of \$500.00, however, it will remain the property of Waterford Borough. Beth Weldon seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

President's Report

Judy Cline motioned to release the funds approved in the budget, \$10,000.00 to the Waterford Library and \$13,000.00 to Stancliff Hose Co. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Tim E. discussed helping the Library, by absorbing the cost of \$65.00 for their host name and \$100.00 for postage. Discussion was also held concerning phone costs and possibly combining some services. Beth Weldon will look into this.

Tim E. discussed building a storage closet in the NW corner of the Library. Garry Sargent motioned to approve \$150.00 for materials for the storage closet, Kevin Gardner seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Tim E. also mentioned Tim (TJ) attended the county meeting, which had a very high attendance, including the Senator and included discussion on polling machines.

Discussion was held concerning legal representation for Dave Senger as Zoning Administrator for a scheduled hearing of the Zoning Hearing Board for Fort LeBoeuf and Tim LaFlamme concerning storage units on the properties. Kevin Gardner motioned to approve for Dave Senger to obtain legal representation for the hearing, Beth Weldon seconded the motion. Judy Cline voted yes, Garry Sargent voted no and Tim E. LaFlamme abstained.

Tim E. mentioned the Secretary's Report, which everybody should have in their folder.

Tim E. discussed the pension plan, which was recently reviewed by Stacy with a representative from the state. One option in the plan was updated, to allow retirees to work for the borough without affecting their pension, if the borough so desires. There is no additional cost to the borough. Judy Cline motioned to accept the updated pension plan, Kevin Gardner seconded the motion. Beth Weldon motioned to table the discussion until next month so she can review it. Motion was defeated. Motion to accept plan carried. Beth Weldon voted no.

Tim E. discussed the school zone ordinance, noting that we need to advertise and vote on passing the ordinance next month. Garry Sargent motioned to advertise the amended school zone ordinance, Kevin Gardner seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Later a motion can be passed to specify time frames, if council decides to.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Chad had nothing new at this time.

Public Works

Garry Sargent presented a synopsis of the work completed this month and work to be done in the coming month, as opposed to reciting it all at the meeting.

Garry discussed signage near the traffic light, noting PennDot will be doing this in the near future. Garry discussed new signs received from PennDot. Garry mentioned several repairs that have been completed. Garry motioned to order a new snowblower attachment for the Kubota for \$2800.00. Kevin Gardner seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Tim E. stated that we have funds for training, so we will look for some in this area.

Tim E. stated that Holly is looking for a sign for Waterford, more in the future.

Shade Commission

Beth Weldon discussed the shade tree commission and researched the Tree City USA designation that Waterford has had in the past. There were 4 different subjects that we would have to follow to qualify. One of those is being able to plant trees on Arbor Day. Judy Cline motioned to plant trees on Arbor Day, Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Beth Weldon mentioned the wonderful event put on by the Historical Society and Jim Edwards for Burns night.

Beth Weldon also discussed possibly having a junior councilperson. Beth made a motion for the Junior Councilperson program. Motion was defeated. Beth will bring more information to the next meeting.

Kevin Gardner motioned to adjourn the meeting, Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 8:22pm.

