

**Waterford Borough Council**  
**Meeting Minutes – December 14, 2021**

**Council Members Present**

Holly Noble, Tim (TJ) LaFlamme, Judy Cline, Tim E. LaFlamme, Beth Weldon, Garry Sargent and Joe Wanson. Also in attendance Solicitor Ed Betza, Mayor Chad French and Secretary Stacy Mattson.

**Others in Attendance**

Tom Wolf, JoAnne Lenart-Weary and Mary Powell.

President Holly Noble called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation.

**Public Comment**

Tom Wolf spoke about a property on Cherry St. that has abandoned items. Holly stated that the Mayor is working on this.

JoAnne Lenart-Weary spoke about the mural project, noting that 5 artists have given proposals. JoAnne stated that they have twelve people voting and they have set up a list of 7 parameters, which is what the artists will be voted on and they will reconvene on January 3<sup>rd</sup> to make a final decision. Then the artist will, through community interaction, come up with a concept which Council will then be able to see.

Mary Powell asked about the reorganization meeting and whether it needs to be published.

Joe Horneman spoke on behalf of the Sons of American Legion. Joe noted that they have supported the Borough immensely, including about \$1,000.00 for flags donated for Main Street. Joe then presented another large flag for the big flagpole. Joe stated that they work hard throughout the year to raise funds to help support different things for the Township and the Borough and the money they give to our veterans. Joe presented the flag, which is a big one, 5x8. Holly noted that she will put a thank-you on the Borough sign, hopefully by tomorrow.

Thank You to the SONS of the American Legion for all of their hard work and generous donations! The Borough is very appreciative!

Thank you to the Legion members that came to the meeting to present the flag: Joe Horneman, Brian Allsopp, Trent Glover, Matt Husted, Norm Rosenthal and Dave Senger.

### **Minutes**

Tim (TJ) made a motion to accept the October 12<sup>th</sup>, and November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 minutes as presented. Judy Cline and Beth Weldon voted “No”, all others in favor, motion carried.

### **Bills**

Tim (TJ) LaFlamme motioned to pay the bills as presented. Discussion was held concerning the bill for the furnace at the garage. Tim E. LaFlamme seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Joe Wanson noted that we should check into our Liability policy next September.

Discussion was held concerning the Tax Levy Ordinance, noting there is an error in the pending Ordinance. It should be 2.8mills, not 3.7mills. Tim E. LaFlamme motioned to pass the amended Tax Levy Ordinance, Joe Wanson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Beth Weldon noted that the Budget work sessions minutes need to be corrected also.

Ed Betza noted that he will make the changes on the Tax Levy Ordinance and then it can be signed.

Discussion was held concerning the Short Term Rentals Ordinance. Ed noted that it needs to be advertised and hold a public meeting. This will be scheduled for the meeting in February.

### **Budget**

Tim E. LaFlamme motioned to accept the 2022 proposed budget. Tim (TJ) seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

### **Budget Work Sessions Minutes**

Tim E. LaFlamme motioned to accept the Minutes for the Budget Work Sessions for November 16, 2021 and November 23, 2021. Joe Wanson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Chad French mentioned a few things, including the speeding on Main Street, Leaves have been picked up and the house that is in foreclosure on Cherry St.

### **Streets**

Garry Sargent mentioned the leaf pick-up, noting that some leaves had dog excrement in it and they were looking for alternative ways to pick it up. Garry stated the furnace at the garage has been fixed. Garry noted that the vandals have been apprehended that damaged the Gazebo. Garry also noted that we will need a new leaf machine for next year.

### **Parks**

Judy Cline noted that she had nothing to report.

### **Community Relations**

Holly Noble stated that this has been rather slow – nothing to report.

### **Shad Tree**

Beth Weldon stated she has nothing to report.

### **Old Business**

Discussion was held concerning premium pay for workers from the ARPA Grant money. Tim E. LaFlamme motioned to pay Kelly Schwab \$1.00 per hour and Stacy Mattson .50 per hour for every hour worked from March 16, 2020 to March 3, 2021. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. Beth Weldon voted “No”, all others in favor. Motion carried.

Tim E. LaFlamme made a motion to pay Scott Driscoll \$1.00 per hour for every hour worked from March 16, 2020 to March 3, 2021. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. Beth Weldon voted “No”, all others in favor. Motion carried.

## **New Business**

Joe Wanson motioned to award the balance of the ARPA funds, about \$30,000.00, to the fire department, Stancliff Hose Co. Tim (TJ) seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Tim E. LaFlamme recused himself.

Tim E. LaFlamme motioned to move \$35,000.00 to the Capital Reserve Fund and \$5,000.00 to the Bridge Account. Tim (TJ) LaFlamme seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Joe Wanson motioned to change Health Insurance for Corey and Shane to UPMC plan through Burns and Burns Associates at a cost of \$820.80/month, effective in January 2022. Tim (TJ) seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Tim E. LaFlamme recused himself.

Reorganization meeting will be held on January 3, 2022 at 7 pm. This needs to be advertised.

**\*\*Executive Session\*\*** called by Joe Wanson for Personnel Issues at 8:05pm.

Council returned at 8:55 pm.

Garry thanked Chad French for helping out.

Tim E. LaFlamme motioned to adjourn the meeting, Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

