

Waterford Borough Council
Meeting Minutes – February 1, 2021

President Tim E. LaFlamme called the meeting to order at 7:04pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation.

Council Members Present

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

Others in Attendance

John Orr and Dave Senger

Public Comment

President Tim stated that we are recording the meeting to help Stacy with the minutes and asked if anyone else records the meeting, please state that. Beth Weldon stated that she is recording the meeting also.

Chief John Orr from Stancliff Hose gave a report on calls responded to and hours. John stated that the Fire Co. has put in for three grants, two from Pennsylvania and one from FEMA. The FEMA grant would be for 400,000 to replace outdated air packs. John also discussed fund raisers.

Dave Senger spoke on behalf of the Sons of the American Legion, stating that they are planning to have a Turkey Shoot in April, on Easter week-end. Dave was inquiring if they would be able to use the new sign to advertise. Tim E. responded that the Advertising Policy for the sign will be discussed later in the meeting.

Minutes

Judy Cline motioned to approve the minutes as presented, Joe Wanson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Bills

Tim (TJ) LaFlamme motioned to pay the bills as presented, Holly Noble seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

President's Report

President Tim E. LaFlamme stated that Erie County has passed a tax resolution to waive the penalties on County Real Estate taxes due in 2021 and has asked the municipalities in the county to pass the same. Tim noted that we already have the money reserved in our budget. Beth Weldon motioned to approve the Resolution to Waive the Penalty on County Real Estate Taxes Due in 2021 for Waterford Borough, Tim (TJ) seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Tim E. noted that the container has been placed at the Borough Garage for recycling glass. Tim noted that we have signed an agreement for 6 months to start the process. We will have an option at a later date whether or not to continue this service.

Tim E. noted that Joe Wanson will review our insurance policies for coverage and prices. This does not include Health Insurance.

Tim E. noted that we pass a resolution every year to approve the payment of street lighting from County Aid funds for the Borough of Waterford, Pennsylvania, Erie County. Judy Cline motioned to adopt Resolution 2021-1. Beth Weldon seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Tim E. discussed releasing funds to Waterford Public Library - \$10,000.00 and Stancliff Hose - \$15,000.00. Judy Cline motioned to release the funds to Waterford Public Library and Stancliff Hose Co. Holly Noble seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Tim E. discussed a proposal from ADP to process our payroll, noting that if we do this by February 25th, we will get 5 months for free after three months. Tim (TJ) motioned to outsource payroll processing to ADP. Judy Cline seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Tim E. noted that Stacy has the form filled out for her hours if anyone would like to look at it.

Mayor's Report

No Mayor's Report, Mayor was not present.

Streets

Tim (TJ) reported on Streets for Garry Sargent, who was not present.

Tim (TJ) noted the crew has been keeping the streets clear, not too much maintenance due to the weather. Tim (TJ) noted that they are still looking into the Bobcat side-by-side. TJ noted the prices are about \$30,000 to \$40,000.

TJ noted that PennDot will be putting counters on the road to collect data, noting that these are not speed traps. TJ noted that West 2nd Street by RGS needs some maintenance and discussions are being held concerning this.

Parks

Judy Cline stated that Cindy Kreider is requesting approval for \$100.00 to put up Valentine decorations in the Gazebo. Cindy also provided Judy with a list of projects that are being planned for the parks this year.

Beth Weldon noted that the Snowman contest in the park was very nice, well attended and many families had a great time.

Sidewalks

Tim (TJ) noted that Precision Sidewalks came and did a report on all of the Borough sidewalks. They reported 19 trip hazards and they will send a proposal. TJ noted that FLB High School used this service and he will talk to Tim Williams. TJ noted that no decision has been made on the sidewalk grants for residents this year.

Community Relations

Holly Noble discussed the new sign, noting that she had to postpone her training but hopes to have it up and running by the end of February. Holly noted that the sign is to benefit Waterford Borough, Municipal Authority, Public Library, etc. and she discussed the Digital Advertising Policy. Tim (TJ) motioned to adopt the Digital Advertising Policy, Judy Cline seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Council went into Executive Sessions at 8pm for the following:

- 216 South East St.
- Personnel issue

Meeting was reconvened at 8:55pm.

New Business

Tim E. noted that a policy is needed on the recording of executive sessions.

Judy Cline motioned to adjourn the meeting, Joe Wanson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9pm.