

**Waterford Borough Council
Meeting Minutes – April 5, 2021**

President Tim E. LaFlamme called the meeting to order at 7:02pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation.

Council Members Present

Tim E. LaFlamme, Judy Cline, Tim (TJ) LaFlamme, Beth Weldon, Holly Noble, Garry Sargent and Joe Wanson. Also in attendance Solicitor Ed Betza, Secretary Stacy Mattson and Corey Patterson/Public Works.

Others in Attendance

Micalyn & Thatcher Baney, Matt & Kim Stebick, Dan Ludwig, Cindy Kreider, Kristie Feidler and Jessica Dorman

President Tim E. LaFlamme stated the meeting is being recorded for the Borough Secretary Stacy to do the minutes and Beth Weldon is also recording the meeting.

Public Comment

Matt & Kim Stebick spoke on behalf of the Kiwanis Club of FLB and Waterford Lions Club about Waterford Works Projects and the application to apply.

Dan Ludwig spoke to voice concerns from him and his family about past and present events that have happened at the Waterford Elementary School Playground.

Cindy Kreider stated that she gave Judy a list of projects she is working on.

Kristie Feidler spoke and read a statement about offensive signs in the Borough.

Jessica Dorman spoke about vandalism in the Borough, including broken windows.

Minutes

Judy Cline motioned to accept and approve the minutes from March 1, 2021 as written, Joe Wanson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Bills

Tim (TJ) La Flamme noted that the picnic tables were approved for \$320.00 and the bill is for \$400.00. Judy Cline noted that this was approved by her. Tim (TJ) LaFlamme motioned to pay the bills as presented, minus the bill from Atty. Ward (he referenced asking Judy on this). Garry Sargent seconded the motion. The bill was questioned and it was stated by Tim E. LaFlamme that the bill was approved for \$2,500.00 and the bill exceeded that amount. All in favor, motion carried.

Dr. Micalyn Baney from Waterford Family Practice spoke about building a new office in Waterford to bring more services to Waterford for the benefit of the community. Dr. Baney asked for support from Waterford Borough for LECOM to build a facility and hopefully receive grants to help with the project.

Garry Sargent made a motion to state that Waterford Borough Council fully supports LECOM and the improvements to the property on East 3rd St. Tim (TJ) LaFlamme seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Judy Cline made a motion to pay the bill for Atty. Bob Ward for work done in ongoing legal matter. Beth Weldon seconded the motion. Bill is for \$6,755.50. All in favor, motion carried. Tim (TJ) LaFlamme and Timothy E. LaFlamme recused themselves from the vote.

Resolution was presented for authorization for Traffic Signal Maintenance. Tim (TJ) LaFlamme motioned to authorize Secretary Stacy Mattson to submit the Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement and future modifications and sign the agreement on behalf of the Borough of Waterford. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

A request from Rachel Hughes, Senior Class Advisor for Fort LeBoeuf High School, was presented asking to shut down Chestnut Street and Cherry Street on Wednesday, June 9th (or rain date June 10th) from 7:00 – 8:30pm for the Fort LeBoeuf Commencement. The graduation ceremony is being held at Carm Bonito Field. Beth Weldon made a motion to close Chestnut Street and Cherry Street on Wednesday June 9th (or rain date June 10th) from 6:00 – 9:00 pm for Commencement. Judy Cline seconded the motion. Tim (TJ) LaFlamme voted No. All others in favor, motion carried.

Resolution was presented to remove the remaining taxes on the Parcel 46-003-009.0-006.59, located at 803 High Street for the year 2017 and all future years. Garry Sargent motioned to adopt the Resolution, Tim (TJ) LaFlamme seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Tim E. LaFlamme presented a recording policy for Waterford Borough, basically stating that it must be announced if a public meeting is to be recorded by any person. Tim (TJ) LaFlamme motioned to adopt the Policy of recording public meetings. Judy Cline seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Tim E. LaFlamme noted that he received two emails, one from a lady in Edgewater, Maryland concerning the sign at the north end of town and one from Dan Ludwig. Tim E. noted that he spoke to our Solicitor Ed Betza about the playground and there is not much we can do other than work with the State Police. Tim E. noted that the Mayor will reach out to the State Police.

Discussion was held concerning the Borough building, painting the outside with a mural, which would need thin coated. It would cost about \$28,900.00. If we applied for and received an ECGRA grant, the cost would be half. Beth Weldon is going to reach out to Union City and see how they acquired funds for their mural project. Tim E. stated that Jesse Fiske quoted a price of \$1,400.00 to remove the vinyl which was placed over the brick on the building, but it could open up more problems, depending on what is underneath.

Discussion was held about the side door of the Borough building, with a quote received of \$7,955.00 to repair and make handicap-accessible. A quote was also received for the front doors, to repair and also be handicap accessible. The quote is \$11,280.00. Beth Weldon made a motion to fix the side door, Holly Noble seconded the motion. Tim (TJ) suggested we have the lock repaired on the door. Motion was defeated, all voted no to replace door for \$7,955.00. Corey will look at door and try to repair.

Mayor's Report

Mayor was not present, but wanted to remind everyone of the burning ban. Burning is permitted in a burn barrel.

Public Works

Garry Sargent noted that everybody has the Public Works report. Winter work is winding down, guys are working on equipment and spring cleaning. Garry stated that sometime soon they will be experimenting with four, ten-hour days. Garry mentioned that the guys are going to attempt line-painting this year, which will save us about \$1,000.00. Corey can rent the machine and he has experience with it, we just need to buy the paint. Garry noted that the big project this year will be Circuit Street and he is hoping to have a meeting with Waterford Township. Rough estimate is about \$67,000.00. This would be 19B stone with wearing course.

Garry Sargent made a motion to purchase a Tool Cat from Bob Cat for under \$60,000. Tim (TJ) LaFlamme seconded the motion. This is a multi-unit which attachments can be rented for. All in favor, motion carried.

Parks

Judy Cline noted that Cindy Kreider purchased the two picnic tables for the park. Cindy met with Harry from Lathrop Electric and he offered a donation to install an electric line from the pole by the south arbor to the area behind the American Legion monument. It would be 100 amp, single phase box. Gary Nelson from the American Legion was fine with this idea. Lathrop Electric has their insurance certificate. This work would be donated, all he is asking in return is a plaque noting their donation. Cindy will check into the value of the donation and bring it up at the next meeting.

Judy presented two design samples for the sign board by Lake LeBoeuf, Kim Finch has offered to donate the sign for the sign board. Judy Cline motioned to accept the design with the white background. Holly Noble seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Sidewalks

Tim (TJ) noted that the cutting was done from the Library to the traffic light and from the traffic light to East North Park Row. The next phase would be no cost. The trip hazards would be mapped out by severity and then done in phases.

Community Relations

Holly Noble stated she has given Stacy a notice to put on the website along with the digital advertising policy. Holly stated that the information needs to be filled out by the requestor, not leaving it to Holly to decide what to say on the sign.

New Business

Community Yard Sale was discussed. Tim (TJ) motioned to support the community yard sale for June 4th and 5th. Joe Wanson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Waterford Heritage Days will be held this year.

Tim (TJ) noted that he passed out a Judge's ruling on Beth Weldon's challenge to TJ's petition. Tim E. LaFlamme stated that this ends the issue of residency, so if Benny Hunt or anyone asks they can be informed.

Beth Weldon questioned if we are paying Dave Senger for his deposition for the Borough, \$185.00 for missing work. Judy Cline made a motion to discuss paying Dave, Beth Weldon seconded the motion. Tim E. stated that Dave would need to provide a wage stub for that week, proving that he was not paid for that day.

Judy Cline amended her motion, that we would need documentation, such as a check stub for that week proving that Dave had to use a vacation day or not paid at all. Beth Weldon seconded the motion.

Judy Cline amended her motion again, stating that we would pay the \$185.000 if we get proof of missed work and we are billed by the Insurance Company. Beth Weldon seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Solicitor Ed Betza mentioned a letter about historic properties that Stacy gave him. The address is 9095 Perry Highway, so the letter will be given to Summit Township.

Council went into Executive Session at 8:47 pm.

Meeting resumed at 9:10pm. Judy Cline motioned to adjourn, Holly Noble seconded the motion. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

