

**Waterford Borough Council**  
**Meeting Minutes – June 7, 2021**

**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, Mayor Chad French, Secretary Stacy Mattson and Corey Patterson/Public Works.

**Others In Attendance**

Cindy Kreider, Benny Hunt, Dennis Bliley, Mary Powell, Brian Skelton, Jim Rodenbaugh and Paul Rankin

President Tim E. LaFlamme stated the meeting is being recorded for the minutes. Beth Weldon stated she is also recording the meeting.

Mike Oberlander was also added to the agenda.

**Public Comment**

Cindy Kreider stated that they have 7 bands lined up to play in the park in the summer starting June 24<sup>th</sup> through August 12<sup>th</sup>. Local businesses have sponsored the bands. Cindy also asked about waiving fees for Heritage Days and additional handicap parking.

Benny Hunt noted that ASW Pipelines have been doing work for Penelec and they have been very nice and keeping work areas clean and not tying up traffic. Benny also stated that he is protesting back-in parking.

Benny also spoke about special treatment in the Borough, and the fact that he was fined \$100.00 for tall grass.

Dennis Bliley spoke about fines not being paid by a council member and sidewalks being blocked. Dennis also mentioned brush by the cemetery and being on council and living in the township.

Mary Powell asked about stimulus money received by the borough and mentioned zoning for air bnb's.

Brian Skelton spoke about 1<sup>st</sup> and Cherry and the statue being erected and asked if the borough could donate some time. Garry stated that he could coordinate it with Corey/Streets.

Jim Rodenbaugh spoke about the cruise-in's being held and asking to waive fees. Jim also mentioned back-in parking and the negative impact.

### **Minutes**

Chad French stated that he was left off the minutes and a comment to be stricken. Tim (TJ) motioned to approve the minutes with the two corrections. Garry seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

### **Bills**

Beth Weldon motioned to pay the bills except for the Robert C. Ward bill, which involved a council member. Tim E. noted that the bill from Bobcat will be held until we receive the equipment and it is in good order. Judy Cline seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Judy Cline motioned to pay the bill from Robert C. Ward, Beth Weldon seconded the motion. Tim E. and Tim (TJ) recused themselves, Garry Sargent voted "no". All others in favor, motion carried.

Mike Oberlander spoke about 7 parcels that he owns and plans to develop. Mike was directed to get a zoning permit and do storm water management through the Borough office.

### **President's Report**

President Tim E. mentioned that the meeting for Country Fair is tomorrow.

Tim noted that Mission Main Street Grant is ready to be released.

Tim stated that we need to decide color for the municipal building to be painted. Tim will get together with JoAnne Lenart-Weary and hopefully have an answer for next meeting.

Discussion was held concerning the amended zoning code for raising heights of secondary buildings. This needs to be advertised. It was presented to Erie County

Planning and they think it is a good idea and it is common in many local municipalities and they recommend approval. Tim (TJ) voted to advertise the proposed amended ordinance. Joe Wanson seconded the motion. Beth Weldon voted “no”. All others in favor, motion carried.

### **Mayor’s Report**

Mayor Chad French noted that the burn ban has been lifted. Chad stated that the streets look good. Chad mentioned the money being spent on legal fees.

### **Public Works**

Garry stated that our streets crew will take care of the brush by the cemetery. Garry mentioned the Bobcat is in and we should have it soon. As soon as we receive it, a lot of prep work will be done on the streets.

Garry opened the bids:	<u>Cross Paving</u>	<u>Lindy Paving</u>
Option #1 - Chestnut St. to Benson Rd.	\$ 77,014.12	\$ 63,257.90
Option #2 - Chestnut St. to East St.	32,279.40	30,083.20
Option #3 - East St. To Benson Rd.	50,422.46	44,088.20

Garry Sargent motioned to accept the bid from Lindy Paving for \$ 63,257.90, Tim (TJ) seconded the motion. Tim (TJ) voted “no”. All others in favor, motion carried.

President Tim E. noted that we were reimbursed for our COVID-19 expenses.

### **Parks**

Tim E. talked about the Fallen Riders and waiving rental fees for the parks and providing 2 port-a-pottys for them on August 1<sup>st</sup>. Judy Cline motioned to waive the fees and provide 2 port-a-pottys. Holly Noble seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Holly Noble motioned to waive park fees for Bands in the Park, Heritage Days and Thursday Car Shows. Judy Cline seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Judy Cline made a motion to pay Cindy Kreider \$248.42 for repairing sign by the park, plants by the Boro building, (4) ½ barrel planters and ribbons. Holly Noble seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Judy stated that Lathrop Electric will run/fix the electric service for free.

Judy noted that Waterford Township will be paying for the port-a-potty's for Heritage Days.

### **Sidewalks**

Tim (TJ) stated he had nothing to report.

### **Community Relations**

Holly noted that the Chicken Bar-B-Q will be held on August 15<sup>th</sup>.

Judy Cline motioned to congratulate the 2021 Fort LeBoeuf Seniors on our sign. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

### **Shade Tree Commission**

Beth Weldon stated she had nothing to report.

### **Old Business**

Garry Sargent made a motion to have the owners of 216 Southeast St. pay a fine of \$2,000.00. Joe Wanson seconded the motion. Discussion was held and Tim E. and Tim (TJ) recused themselves. Judy Cline, Holly Noble and Beth Weldon voted no. Motion defeated.

Joe Wanson made a motion to have our President Pro-tem Judy Cline, Mayor Chad French and Atty. Knox meet with the defendants to try to come to a settlement in regards to 216 Southeast St. Garry Sargent seconded the motion.

**\*\*Break for Executive Session\*\***

Judy Cline called the meeting back to order at 8:38pm. Vote was taken on motion pending. Tim E. LaFlamme and Tim (TJ) LaFlamme recused themselves. Judy Cline, Holly Noble, Joe Wanson and Garry Sargent voted yes. Beth Weldon voted no. Motion carried. Judy will contact Atty. Knox and schedule meeting.

### **Old Business**

Judy Cline discussed back-in parking. Judy Cline made a motion to reverse back-in parking. President Tim stated the motion is out of order. Tim E. stated that we could not meet the State requirement to reverse the parking. Tim suggested that we approach the State to see what we can do to meet the requirements to reverse the parking. The State said that we need 38 feet from the center line to the white line.

Judy Cline made a motion to contact the State to reverse back-in parking. Beth Weldon seconded the motion. Garry Sargent and Holly Noble voted yes. Tim (TJ) LaFlamme and Joe Wanson voted no. Motion carried.

Garry Sargent asked about moving forward with wiretapping allegations against a council member. Ed Betza stated that this is not a Council issue.

Judy questioned a bill for \$800 that was paid to Urban Engineers for HANDS. Garry stated that they were violating an ordinance.

### **New Business**

Joe Wanson made a motion to move the monthly council meetings to the second Tuesday of the month. Tim (TJ) seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Judy Cline motioned to adjourn, Holly Noble seconded the motion. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 8:56 pm.

