

Waterford Borough Council
Meeting Minutes - October 12th, 2021

Council Members Present

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

Others in Attendance

Benny Hunt, Una Mae Van Dyke, Jessica Dorman, Susan Osborn, Cindy Kreider and JoAnn Lenart-Weary

President Tim E. LaFlamme called the meeting to order at 7:00pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation.

Public Comment

Benny Hunt spoke asking about the recording policy and financial records pertaining to the expense of changing to back-in parking. Tim E. stated he needed to fill out a right-to-know request.

Una Mae Van Dyke spoke asking what was going on at 3rd & Chestnut Streets and nobody seemed to know.

Jessica Dorman spoke, introducing herself as she is running for Waterford Borough Council, stating her goals are the enrichment and well-being of this town. Jessica noted some volunteer and coaching positions she has held in the Borough.

Susan Osborn spoke, representing the Waterford Library, thanking Council for their support for many years. Susan presented a rough draft of financials for the library, asking for a \$1,000.00 increase for the library's donation from Waterford Borough, making it \$11,000.00. Susan also spoke about ways to make the library more attractive and user-friendly to the younger generation. Susan also answered a question from Tim E. concerning fund-raising and the ways Susan raised an extra \$2,500.00. Good job Susan!!

Cindy Kreider spoke about the decorations that she has been putting on the Gazebo, stating that the Kiwanis Club donated \$300.00 for Halloween decorations. Cindy stated the decorations have been torn down, spray paint on the floors and rungs kicked out of the Gazebo. Garry Sargent stated Corey will take care of the paint and check the cameras.

Minutes

Joe Wanson motioned to accept the September 14th, 2021 minutes as presented. Tim (TJ) seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Bills

Tim (TJ) motioned to pay the bills as presented, Joe Wanson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

President's Report

Tim E. noted a clarification to the minutes from September 14th stating that we cannot use Liquid Fuels funds on roads, such as alleys, that we do not receive Liquid Fuels funds for.

Tim E. noted there is nothing new on the Mission Main Street grants or ARPA funds.

Tim E. discussed financial goals he accomplished with the budget. He also discussed the Equipment list from Streets, building repairs and bridge repairs/replacement. Garry spoke about pre-fabricated bridges, which would save money.

Tim E. LaFlamme stated that he has completed his goals and hereby resigns, effective immediately. Tim E. asked for a motion to accept his resignation as Borough Council President. Garry Sargent motioned to accept Tim E. LaFlamme's resignation. Tim (TJ) seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Tim (TJ) LaFlamme resumed the meeting and asked for nominations for President. Tim E. nominated Judy Cline, Judy Cline declined. Judy Cline nominated Holly Noble, no action taken.

Tim E. nominated Beth Weldon and Beth stated she was not yet qualified. Tim E. stated that Ed could teach her, he is a good coach and mentor. Beth then accepted nomination for President.

Judy Cline motioned to nominate Holly Noble.

Beth Weldon then declined in favor of Holly.

Tim E. motioned to appoint Holly Noble for President, Judy Cline seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Chad mentioned the fireworks in town and we need to call the State Police. Chad also mentioned a few properties in town they have been keeping an eye on.

JoAnne Lenart-Weary spoke about the mural project. It was noted that we have \$5,000.00 coming from ECGRA, \$5,000.00 from our funds for matching and we have \$30,000.00 in building improvements.

Tim E. motioned to pay up to \$17,500.00 for the mural. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Judy Cline motioned to send out the RFQ's (Request For Quotes) after it is approved by our Solicitor Ed Betza. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Ed Betza approved the RFQ.

Public Works

Garry Sargent motioned to pay up to \$5,000.00 for daylighting on E. 6th from Hazel to the Bridge and E. 4th St. Tim E. seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Garry Sargent motioned to get cell phones for Corey and Shane at \$35/month from Spectrum and cancel MCI long distance at the garage. Joe Wanson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Garry Sargent motioned to pay up to \$2,000.00 for sidewalk repairs on 5th Street Alley. Judy Cline seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Old Business

Discussion was held about the short-term rental agreement. Tim E. motioned to advertise the agreement after approval from the County Planning Commission. Judy Cline seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion was held about the Social Media Policy. Judy Cline motioned to accept the Social Media Policy with 1st offense = verbal warning and 2nd offense = written warning. Beth Weldon seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Judy Cline motioned to work with Representative Curt Sonney to work to get approval to reverse the parking. Beth seconded the motion. Garry Sargent, Tim (TJ) LaFlamme and Joe Wanson voted "No". Tim E. LaFlamme, Beth Weldon and Judy Cline voted "Yes". Mayor Chad French voted "Yes" to break the tie. Motion carried.

Executive Session 8:33pm
PennDOT – legal
Snyder lawsuit
Personnel issue

Meeting resumed at 9:20pm.

Tim E. motioned to accept offer re: Snyder vs. Waterford, Joe Wanson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Tim E. motioned to adjourn, Joe Wanson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:21pm.