

Borough of Waterford Council

Meeting Minutes – June 5, 2017

Opening

Council Vice President Harry Latta called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation. President Jeff Horneman is not in attendance, due to illness.

Council Members Present

Harry Latta, Judy Cline, Tim Williams, Garry Sargent, Jeff Smith and Kevin Gardner. Also in attendance Mayor Justin Blose, Solicitor Ed Betza and Secretary Stacy Mattson.

Others in Attendance

Hazel Thomas, Ken Thomas, Doris Becker, Una Mae Van Dyke and Mike Pennock.

Public Comment

No Public Comment

Minutes

Judy Cline motioned to accept the minutes as presented, Tim Williams seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Bills

Harry mentioned the bill from Rileighs Outdoor Décor, which is for the Christmas lights that donations were solicited for. About \$1,046.00 remains in the account. Electrical work still needs to be done. Judy mentioned the electric bill that Stacy was working on, Penelec discovered it belongs to Waterford Township or Penndot, it is for the lights over the roundabout. Jeff Smith motioned to accept the bills as presented, Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Harry mentioned a letter we received from Bob and Cindy Salchak complimenting the work done on the rhododendrons in the park and how nice they look. Harry mentioned a letter from the Erie County Department of Health on a program

for preventing Lyme disease.

Vice President's Report

Jeff Smith confirmed that he has been in contact with Rod Monroe and several others concerning the clean-up of Porter Park. Harry mentioned the map cabinet Stacy was going to order and Judy mentioned we are getting one free from a friend of hers, who is on vacation. Harry asked Stacy to send a letter to Kathy Williams thanking her for the carpet donation. Harry also asked Stacy to send a letter to the Lion's Club thanking them for the donation of the flags for High St. Harry discussed some vandalism that has been going on in town.

Mayor's Report

Justin discussed some of the late night activities of some of the youth in town and Justin stated that the State Police need to be called. Justin discussed the permit report and some of the events planned for the park and also the vendors, which are not permitted at this time as we are waiting for the road work to be done first. Justin discussed the FLB Cross Country doing the 5K run, down Cherry to Circuit St, asking permission to use the roads. There is also a 1 mile fun run scheduled for the elementary school students. Justin discussed a few residents that have offered to rebuild the benches in the ballpark, as they are in disrepair. They have asked Borough Council to pay for the lumber. Judy motioned to pay for the lumber, with a price up to \$170. Garry seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Personnel

Kevin Gardner stated he is working on fixing and updating the employee handbook. Kevin motioned that we continue to work on the changes and move forward. Tim Williams seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Old/New Business

Harry mentioned the water main break problem, and that it could have been handled better by The Municipal Authority, and hopefully it will be brought up at their council meeting. Harry asked Judy to attend the Council Meeting of the Municipal Authority.

Parks

Judy mentioned that this past Friday, she and Jeff Smith worked with the student council and mulched the park and planted flowers. Judy wrote a thank you letter to the school. Judy requested utilizing the help of Chris Keating to weed the parks. Judy motioned for Chris Keating to weed at a wage of \$10 an hour, up to \$200 for the season. Jeff Smith seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

Jeff Smith discussed Porter Park, and he stated that he talked to Aaron and Jeff Caplan about cleaning up Porter Park. The Caplan's agreed to allow access to the Park to be able to clean it up. Jeff stated that there are 3 benches there, which could be salvaged. There is also a concrete pad which is broken up and the shelter has holes in the roof. Harry mentioned the Health Department stopped in and asked about why we don't have a Port-a-Potty at the fishing access, as people are going over to the campground to use the restrooms. Stacy stated we received an e-mail back from the Health Department and we are not required to have one and also gave us a few leads on getting a grant if we choose to do so. Harry touched on blighted properties and the current progress at 10 West 1st Street, which BIU is following up on. Harry discussed 640 East St and Ed Betza stated he would need a total amount in order to file a lien.

Harry mentioned Waste Management and where we are at in renewing the contract. Stacy is working on this with Ed Betza. Harry mentioned the original resolution from 2002 which Stacy found regarding the speed limit in town. Harry was informed by Penndot that this was not followed through on. We can discuss this when Jeff comes back.

Streets

Harry discussed the streets prepped for paving, to be done by Russell Standard. Harry mentioned the ditches have been cleaned out by Dave and Don, along with the streets being cleaned. Harry mentioned the deer that was hit by the Ford truck, and we will not fix it as it is a small dent. Harry mentioned that the plow blade is being fixed at Dave's Welding. Harry stated we would like to get a new cutting blade from Walsh Equipment for the plow, as it is getting worn down. Tim motioned to get the cutting board from Walsh Equipment for \$372.90. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Harry discussed the reverse angle parking and that we need to make a decision. Harry stated that, of the people he has spoken with, about 50% are opposed to it and the other 50% either are ok with it or really don't care. Penndot stated that it's the same with

just about any changes, including roundabouts, etc. Harry stated that we have been hearing for years from Penndot that it is a safety concern to back out onto a state road. Jeff Smith motioned to accept the reverse angle parking, as recommended by Penndot. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed. Harry stated Penndot will be notified tomorrow. Penndot has agreed to do all the media and notifications and warning boards. Jeff and Justin will still be the media contacts. Harry stated that we already have a bid from a Penndot approved line painter. Harry stated we have a quote from Waterford Paving Co. to tar & chip the parking area across from the Waterford Hotel and the parking area beside the Waterford Pharmacy and across the street from the Pharmacy, using our limestone that we have left over from previous jobs. Kevin motioned to do this project for a cost of \$4,223.47. Judy Cline seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Harry discussed the letter from Waterford Township, stating that we owe \$3,600.00 for an agreement for maintenance of Bagdad Road from the Waterford Township Line to Route 19, a length of .30 miles. Harry and Stacy could not find any payment to the Township since 2006. Therefore, we are going to request from Waterford Township to show proof that we have paid this in the past. Our agreement with Waterford Township for Niemeyer Rd was discussed.

Judy Cline motioned to adjourn the meeting, Kevin Gardner seconded the motion. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.