

## **Borough of Waterford Council**

### **Meeting Minutes – October 2, 2017**

#### **Opening**

Council President Jeff Horneman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation.

#### **Council Members Present**

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

#### **Others in Attendance**

Una Mae Van Dyke, Stephanie Cox, Doris Becker, Darlene Powell, Linda Petrick, Corinne Zaffino and Benny Hunt.

#### **Public Comment**

Una Mae Van Dyke mentioned that Election Day is coming on Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> and the building needs to be open at 6 am. Jeff welcomed the Boy Scouts to our meeting. Benny Hunt mentioned the contract with BIU, Jeff noting we will look at the contract one more time and as long as it is not BIU exclusively, we will sign the contract. Linda Petrick mentioned the back in parking. Several residents commented on the parking situation.

#### **Minutes**

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

#### **Bills**

Jeff Smith motioned to pay the bills as presented, Tim Williams seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

#### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Justin reported that several students from FLB Middle School, Waterford Elementary School and several residents cleaned up the area around the boat launch and Porter Park due to a grant received. The volunteers reported that the

area was fairly clean, not too much trash. Justin noted that Don Spence is working on a few new properties that have been reported to have some ordinance violations. Justin has been working on the parking situation on Chestnut Street, due to opposing teams parking on the road. Justin has spoken to some parents and the Athletic Director, working to notify coaches from the opposing teams. Justin mentioned that he is working with Judge McGowan to resolve the issues with our signage. Justin noted that we are currently full with vendors in the park and there are three weddings booked for the park in October. Halloween hours are on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6-8 pm.

### **President's Report**

President Jeff Horneman introduced our new Borough employee, Alex Laska and welcomed him. Jeff mentioned the BIU contract, noting we will look it over and get it signed. Jeff discussed the Waste Management contract, noting the price of \$97.10 a month for a 4 yd container, serviced weekly for a 12 month contract. The price of \$88.41 would apply to contract of 24 or 36 months. Judy Cline motioned to accept the contract for 36 months at the price of \$88.41. Garry Sargent seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

### **Old Business**

Jeff mentioned the letter we received from PennDOT, concerning the traffic study. It was discussed whether to reduce the speed to 25 mph from 1<sup>st</sup> Street to North Park Row. It was decided to wait on this as Harry was not present at the meeting. Discussion was held on speed signs. Garry will follow-up with Oil City to make sure it is legal to install the signs. Jeff mentioned a few donations that came in totaling around \$7,700.00, which could be budgeted towards the sign, which is \$7,608.00. The signs would be hard-wired with solar back-up. The signs would be permanent. Jeff mentioned the curb painting, which we are still working on, along with marking the telephone poles. Jeff noted that we owe Waterford Township \$1,200.00 for winter maintenance, according to our agreement. We owe for 3 years, for a total of \$3,600.00. Kevin motioned to take \$3,600.00 from liquid fuels to pay Waterford Township. Judy seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

### **New Business**

Jeff discussed that Stacy mentioned an opportunity for the employees to purchase insurance through AFLAC, noting they would need to use our federal ID



number if the employees decide to go with a policy. There is no cost to the Borough. No objections from Council. Jeff noted that we received a couple donations, FLB Historical Society donated \$55.00 for new locks for the electric meters in Gazebo Park and Waterford American Legion donated \$4,500.00 for the tar and chip for the parking lots. Jeff commended the Waterford American Legion for all the donations and help to the community. Jeff mentioned that next month will be budget time. Jeff said that last year at this time, we were about \$22,000.00 over budget on our spending. This year looks good and he commended Council for doing a good job on this. Jeff reminded everyone to bring their ideas to next month's meeting and also how to pay for them. Jeff would like to see us increase our donation for the EMT at Stancliff Fire Dept. This is approximately a \$50,000.00 item and they are struggling to pay for this. Waterford Township does support them also. Jeff mentioned that Stancliff Hose Co. Relief Association received a check for \$7,133.00, which goes strictly for equipment. Jeff then mentioned the back in parking decision, and that we are committed to this and it will stay that way for the time being. This will not be changed.

### **Streets**

Jeff mentioned a few things in Harry's absence. Leaf collection is going on right now, which is a big job. All the equipment is ready for winter, salt being ordered also. Jeff mentioned the carpet, which is sitting in the corner, and stated we are still committed to getting it put down. Jeff Smith mentioned the stop sign at Bagdad Road and the visibility of the stop sign. Jeff mentioned working with Waterford Township and Waterford Municipal Authority on resolving this issue. Jeff stated that our relationship with them, working together has been wonderful.

Phil mentioned that he would like to remain on the Municipal Authority Board, along with Charles Vroman. Phil mentioned a few things the Municipal Authority is working on. Garry mentioned a few things about social media and communication. Jeff mentioned the DEP and some grants available, noting the Streets committee should investigate and report back. Jeff Smith offered to work on this also, noting it could lead to some dredging of waterways.

Jeff Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 pm, Kevin Gardner seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.