

Waterford Borough Council

Meeting Minutes – March 12, 2024

Board Members Present

Jeff Horneman, Joe Wanson, Steph Fetzner, Jessica Dorman, Michele Horneman and Tim LaFlamme. Also in attendance was Borough Solicitor Ed Betza and Mayor Cody Breon.

Others in Attendance

Stan Cartwright, Alison Wurst, Chris Miller, Christie Mahany, Susan Osborn, Krista Arnold, Dawn Brown, and Rick Wybiral

President LaFlamme called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

Alison to represent the library and report that the library was granted \$10,000 and \$20,000 requested. The total cost to replace the four doors (two main front and two inner ones is \$18,992. Any chance the borough could fund \$9,000 to complete the project? Also applying for a grant to refurbish the library: new carpet and shelves and possibly new furnace.

Christie Mahany and Krista Arnold from Erie County Land Bank – gave a high-level view of the programs they offer, including blighted properties.

JoAnne Lenart-Weary; Susan, Aaron, Dawn Brown – reviewed WECAN upcoming projects – Lake LeBoeuf; Fishing Derby; where can they help with beautification projects; they have put up calendar boxes around town; their team wants to help with projects the Borough doesn't have manpower for, possible senior center, looking to do commemorative benches.

Dawn Brown – here for Waterford Heritage days. This year – asking for no parking on west, north and east edges of gazebo park. Loading zone only. Same events as last year, no fireworks – that was a 50-year celebration.

Minutes

Joe motioned to approve the regular minutes of the February 13, 2024; meeting as presented. Second by Jeff. Motion carried.

Bills

Joe moved to pay the January bills as presented. Seconded by Michele. Motion carried.

President's Report

President LaFlamme reporting

- Mission Main Street Distribution report
 - 30 Grants awarded over four years totaling \$249,800.
- Vendor use of the Borough Parks Policy

Jeff moved to adopt transient rules as presented to take effect immediately. Seconded by Joe. Motion carried.

- Release \$10k to Fire Dept and \$5k to the library.

Jeff motioned to release \$10,000 to the Fire Department and \$5,000 to the library as presented in the 2024 budget. Seconded by Michele. Motion carried.

Mayors Report

Mayor Breon reporting

- Issues with burning violations; people parking on streets.
- Garry Brown has changed his mind on being sworn in
- Met with Austin & Stan

Lindsey had submitted the Zoning Officer's report.

- Report reviewed.
- Looking for a copy of an ordinance for short-term rentals.
- Looking to buy a \$50 decibel meter. Was advised to work with Sarah and purchase it.

Public Works

Jeff reporting

- Hiring of a permanent full time street worker

Jeff moved to hire Stan Cartwright at a rate of \$19.00 per hour with one week vacation after 60 days including health insurance. Seconded by Joe. Motion carried.

- Electrical Bid will be advertised and released for bid.
- Paving bid we discussed last month is being drafted by PennDOT, it will be advertised and released for bid
- Posts out front of borough building -quote for replacing.

Jeff moved to accept the quote of \$5,950 from Sweets Construction to replace the remaining 7 posts with funds from the capital building funds. Seconded by Joe. Motion carried.

- The Streets department recommends adding concrete bollards to protect the building – cost \$3260.

Jeff moved to proceed to add bollards at a cost of \$3,260 from Village concrete. Seconded by Michele – motion carried.

- A septic tank filled at borough garage – was pumped out – to add a pump and connect to public sewer line is \$22,000. Recommendation from committee is to wait to see how often we need to pump the tank out before spending \$22,000 to connect to public sewer.

Parks

Cindy Kreider reporting

- No report

Community Relations

Jessica reporting

- All quiet

Grant committee:

Steph reporting:

- Advised boat and fish commission that we are not interested in the contract. But xxx is very interested in staying in touch.
- Reached out to PRP and DEP for grants on recycling.

Personal Committee:

Old Business

- Update on the replacement of doors on borough building.
 - (get three quotes from Allison and put in here)
 - Builder's Hardware - \$18,992.21 Includes all electronic openers and hardware.
 - Plyer - \$18,557.00 Does not include electronic openers/ hardware.
 - Horton Doors -\$21,586.32

- Builders Hardware \$18,992. Best price. Unsure of amount for doors without auto electric open arms.

Joe moved to spend \$8,992 from the building fund to add to the \$10,000 grant to replace the borough front doors with handicap automatic open arms. Jeff second motion carried.

New Business

jeff motioned for adjournment. Seconded by joe. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 pm