

MINUTES WATERFORD BOROUGH
Meeting March 1, 2010

Regular session of Waterford Borough Council meeting was held in the Municipal Building on March 1, 2010 with the following members present: Gary Brown, Richard McGuire, Judy Cline, Laura Breon, William Strohmeyer, Eric Keiser, Mayor Brian Skelton. Kevin Schwab noted as James Bonito, Trish Bonito.

Roll call and meeting called to order by President Strohmeyer at 6:30 P.M. followed by the Lord's prayer and pledge to the flag.

Minutes of Feb 1 meeting; Add Keiser streets memo from Feb meeting to minutes. McGuire moved to approve minutes. Seconded by Brown. Vote all yes.

Mayor Skelton said there are two car shows and two weddings scheduled for the park. He discussed illegal parking issues in the borough. He requested that council grant his request to attend Boroughs Association meeting in Pittsburgh April 25-28. Breon moved that council pay costs for up to three council members to attend the meeting. Second by Keiser. Vote all yes.

Visitors: Charles Frick from the census bureau asked to use the municipal building meeting room as an assistance center for three hours a day from mid March to mid April to answer resident's questions about the census. He also requested approval to post a census sign. He will co-ordinate with UnaMae.

UnaMae VanDyke reported that Cancer Center Mammogram bus will be here at the end March.

Cline had questions and comments about changes and information on the borough web site.

Committees:

Recycling: Recycling area looks good. Strohmeyer said payment was sent to Penelec for installation of light at the site.

Sidewalks: Strohmeyer will contact two residents about sidewalks that need to be replaced.

Grants: McGuire reported that application has been sent to Rep. Dahlkemper requesting grant to purchase Shorehaven. Also, bridge inspection passed for 3 ton limit for another year McGuire requested that letter be sent to Corey to stop all work on bridge plans until it is known if grant is approved for purchase of Shorehaven. Secretary will contact Corey to determine what has been done on this bridge project. McGuire will contact five municipalities concerning a regional police department.

Planning commission: Louise Blose reported on the public meeting held on Feb 24. The Waterford Borough Planning Commission approved and submitted to Waterford Borough Council the Ordinance requesting amendment of Ordinance 1-91 and the Zoning map to reflect the rezoning of the parcels located south of 7th Street, East of the alley between High and Cherry Streets, West of the proposed Oak Street, North of 6th Street, and the lands between Cherry and Chestnut Streets, South of 6th Street and North of the alley between 5th and 6th Streets from General Residential (R-2) to R-1. Breon moved to accept the planning commission recommendation to change the zoning from R-2 to R-1 and to advertise

a public hearing. Second by Keiser, Roll call vote Breon,, McGuire, Brown, Keiser vote yes, Cline abstained.

Meeting was temporarily paused at 6:45 for an executive session.

Meeting resumed at 7:45. After explanation by Solicitor Betza concerning zoning, Brown moved that the proposed development of the property at E. 6th and Chestnut be treated as a pre-existing non-conforming use. There was no second of the motion. Public hearing will be held on this issue.

Parks: Cline submitted minutes from a meeting of the Parks committee. She spoke of plans to get borough parks and other areas groomed this spring and summer.

Buildings: Breon needs list of those who have keys. Secretary will locate list.

Personnel: Breon had nothing to report.

Erie County Planning: Breon said planning has a geographic information system in place. Software and training is free. Laura will check into an external hard drive Zoning officer Owens should be involved.

McGuire moved resolution be adopted that our liquid fuels allocation of \$5124 be used for paving and resurfacing of streets. Second by Keiser. Vote all yes.

Ordinances: Keiser discussed getting ordinances on our website. Keiser asked about codification of the ordinances. Secretary will arrange for price quote to codify ordinances. After some discussion McGuire moved that secretary get pricing for copying ordinances so that the ordinance committee can access the copies. Second by Keiser. Vote all yes.

Keiser asked if municipalities typically have their own handbook with set rules and operating procedures for committees. McGuire passed out PSAB handbooks to all council members.

Streets: Brown reported number of hours worked by streets crew. Backhoe is in for repair again. Brown and McGuire will research the viability of obtaining a new backhoe including obtaining a grant. There is concern about dips in some of the streets as well as several serious potholes. Burned-out street lights will be replaced by Penelec. Secretary will send letters to residents who are plowing snow into the streets and sidewalks. Also letters to businesses who have the snow plowed into piles blocking sidewalks and obstructing driver's view when entering High Street. Solicitor will send letter to the person who is using his own equipment on borough streets. Garage has been vandalized again.

McGuire moved that treasurers report be accepted. Second by Breon. Vote all yes.

McGuire moved council approve exoneration of delinquent property taxes owed on parcel # 46-001-009.0-004.50. Second by Brown. Roll call vote: Keiser, Cline, no. McGuire, Brown, Strohmeyer, yes. Breon abstains.

Secretary will bring copy of Nov 2009 letter concerning monies owed to Berkheimer to April meeting.

Cline suggested a borough newsletter be prepared and published.

Brown asked solicitor to send letter and ordinance to property owner about clearing away items on property at Water and Hazel streets.

Strohmeier discussed invoice from Mark Corey for E. 6th and Chestnut Street sidewalk work. Invoice is included for Welka. Council previously determined that the Welka bill is Corey's responsibility. The borough paid Corey in December. Borough secretary will call Corey to determine what the charges are for and bring the previous invoice to April meeting.

Bills of the meeting. Breon moved that Virginia Marsh bill be paid in addition to the monthly bills presented. Second by Brown, Vote all yes.

Louse Blose said that they need another member for the planning commission. Cline inquired about serving on the planning commission. McGuire moved that Judy Cline be appointed to planning commission. Second by Brown, Vote all yes. The zoning hearing board is short one person.

Breon moved that meeting be adjourned at 9:30 Second by Brown. Vote all yes.

Respectfully submitted

Janet M Parke
Secretary