

**Waterloo Town Council Meeting
December 13, 2016**

A meeting of the Waterloo Town Council was held on December 13, 2016 at 6:30pm at the Waterloo/Grant Township Public Library. Members present were:

David Bolton	William Hubartt
Jess Jessup	
Renata Ford Clerk/Treasurer	Alex McConnehey
David Kruse / Town Attorney	Tena Woenker / Town Manager

The following business was discussed and action taken: Unless specified all votes were unanimous.

Communications from the President:

- It's been a great year for the Town of Waterloo. The Waterloo Train Station is up and running. There have been a lot of compliments on how helpful the attendants have been to the train passengers.
- Also, residents from Angola and Auburn coming through Waterloo have complimented the town on the conditions of the roads. They say that the roads are much cleaner in Waterloo than in their towns.

Communications/Council Reports:

- Fire Chief Kirby Hobbs received Council approval to make an official offer of \$10,000 to the LaGrange Fire Department for a used pick-up truck with firefighting equipment. Eaton Corporation has donated a diesel engine that will be used to make the truck operational. This vehicle would replace the 1984 Chevrolet Suburban. Chief Hobbs should get a response from LaGrange the first of the year. The Chief also brought in a \$17,000 quote for replacing the overhead doors on the south side of the fire station. Council requested a second quote if it was possible.

Communications from the Town Manager:

- Amtrak is having trouble getting the Passenger Information Signs for the Train Station installed due to Norfolk/Southern. A flagman from Norfolk/Southern has to be on site when the signs are installed and Norfolk/Southern can't seem to schedule a flagman until around Christmas. The signs should be functioning by then.
- Quotes for two flow meter valves were presented to the Council. These valves control and measure the wastewater flow into the sewer plant. The current valves are broken and have to be controlled manually. This was one of the steps required by the agreed order the town has with Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM). The council approved the quote from BL Anderson of \$55,000. The second quote was from Peerless Midwest for \$73,398.
- Kristi Sturtz of Sturtz Public Management Group will be sending the annexation petitions to the property owners west of US Hwy 69. All but one property owner has expressed the desire to voluntarily sign the petition for annexation. All petitions should be back in January.

- The Chili Supper will be January 6th at 6:00pm at the Train Depot. The winner of the “Light-Up Waterloo” contest will be decided at the dinner. The decorated houses can be seen on the town’s website.

New business:

1. November minutes and claims were approved.
2. **Ordinance 16-05** (2017 Salary Ordinance) was approved on 2nd / 3rd reading and adopted. Most employees received a 3% pay increase, Town Marshal and Deputy Marshals received 5%, Town Manager 6% and individuals who completed advanced training in their jobs received a \$1.00 per hour raise.
3. **Resolution 16-11** (Financial Gift for Water Extension Project) was accepted by the Council. The owner of the Truck stop west of I-69 has offered a financial gift of \$250,000 to help pay for half of the cost of Phase One (\$500,000) of the water line extension, which would lay 12” water mains from an existing Waterloo water tower in Waterloo Industrial Park to the property owner, American Petroleum Inc. (API). The Waterloo Redevelopment Commission has pledged the other half of the Phase One cost.
4. **Ordinance 16-06** (Municipal off-road / low speed vehicle use) was tabled.
5. The 2017 town attorney contract with David Kruse was approved by Council. The contract included a 3% increase in legal fees.
6. The Council approved the 2017 Grant Township / Town of Waterloo Fire Protection agreement. The agreement states Grant Township will pay the town \$15,967.00 for protection and services of their township. The agreement will now go to the township for their perusal.
7. President Bolton re-appointed Paula Slentz-McGrath to the DeKalb County Council on Aging Board of Directors for the year 2017.

Other business:

- Councilman McConnehey informed the Council that some residents have expressed concern that a large truck stop could attract businesses of a sexual nature. He said the town needs to investigate the zoning controls for such businesses. The Council will work with the Plan Commission to investigate the town’s current zoning rules and regulations for sexually oriented businesses and revise any zoning language needed.

I, Renata Ford, the duly qualified Clerk/Treasurer, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and exact excerpt of minutes of the meeting of the Waterloo Town Council, Waterloo, Indiana, at which a quorum was in attendance and acting throughout, and held December 13, 2016, as such appears in the official minutes of said Waterloo Town Council, in my custody.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26pm

David Bolton, President

Renata Ford, Secretary