

**Waterloo Town Council Meeting  
December 12, 2017**

A meeting of the Waterloo Town Council was held on December 12, 2017 at 6:30pm at the Waterloo/Grant Twp. Public Library. Members present were:

David Bolton	Jess Jessup
Dorsey Brown	Ken Surber
William Hubartt	Tena Woenker/Town Manager
David Kruse/Town Attorney	Renata Ford/Clerk-Treasurer

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

**Communications from the President:**

- President Bolton appointed Paula Slentz-McGrath as the Waterloo representative for the DeKalb County Council On Aging, Inc. Board of Directors.

**Communications/Council Reports:**

- Councilman Jessup requested the public put a blue light in their windows this season in remembrance of law enforcement officers.

**Communications from the Town Manager:**

- Students from Ball State will be joining the Redevelopment Commission this spring as part of their school curriculum. The council approved a contract, with Ball State, that would pay for any expenses the students incur. From January to May, the students will look over the town's Comprehensive Plan and suggest ideas that would improve the downtown area which is in the town's TIF district.
- January 8<sup>th</sup> a pre-bid meeting will be held for the water line project west of I-69. On January 18<sup>th</sup>, the town will be opening bids for the project. Construction should begin when the awarded construction company can break ground. The project should be completed in the spring.
- The town will be applying for an OCRA planning grant to complete a master plan for the sewer department. This is a required step in the town's agreed order with IDEM. OCRA will pay 90% of the expenses for this project.

**New Business:**

1. November minutes and claims were approved,
2. The Council agreed to write a letter endorsing DeKalb County's application to participate in "Promise Indiana". The project encourages elementary school children to think about continuing education beyond high school. Through contributions, it helps children start savings accounts for post-high-school training.
3. **Ordinance 17-08** (Conflict of Interest) was approved on 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> reading and adopted.
4. **Ordinance 17-09** (2018 Salary Ordinance) was approved. This Ordinance gives all town employees a 3% pay raise in 2018.
5. The council approved a \$10,000 contribution to go towards the purchase of a \$35,000 4-by-7ft electronic sign to be placed in front of the Waterloo/Grant Township Public Library. An estimated 9000 vehicles pass by the library every day and would see all the community information. The library boosters have already received some donations, and

they will pursue grants from foundations and donations from local businesses. All donations will be through the DeKalb County Community Foundation. The library will also need to get approval from the Board of Zoning before the sign can be placed because the sign will be to close to the sidewalk. The fire department is raising money for its own sign, but would like to contribute to the library sign.

6. The council discussed the possibility of a stormwater utility but would like to see if the dollar amount for current stormwater claims warrant a new utility. They would also like to know how much it costs to treat stormwater.
7. Town Manager Woenker presented the council with the 2018 meeting and holiday schedules.

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 12, 2017 as such appears in the official minutes of said Waterloo Town Council, in my custody. Meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm.



David Bolton, President



Renata Ford, Secretary