

Waterloo Town Council Meeting  
September 13, 2022

A meeting of the Waterloo Town council was held September 13, 2022, at 6:00p.m. at the Waterloo Historic Train Depot present were:

Greg Iddings	Jess Jessup
Josh Caudill	Katherine Hobbs
Pam Howard / Town Manager	Andrew Kruse / Town Attorney
Jennifer Ball / Deputy Clerk	

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

**Meeting called to order at 6:03 pm**

**Jessup did roll call and the pledge was recited**

**Communication from the President:** Jessup reached out to Al Shuman who showed interest in joining the Park Board. Shuman is now a member of the Park Board. He is a Democrat, and his term is 4 years unless it is stated differently on the chart. There still is a Republican seat open.

**Communication from the Town Manager:** Howard stated that the Waterloo Elementary is raising money for new playground equipment and the link can be found on Facebook.

The hydrant flushing will be September 19-23 and per the superintendent please be careful when doing laundry. Treats before dark will be held on Saturday October 29<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm; Howard will confirm the time and date with Nucor. Townwide trick or Treating will be also on Saturday October 29<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

The notice of bid requests has gone out for the project on 200 Block of N Wayne Street. Aliana Shonkwiler, from Veridus, will be meeting with Howard Monday morning. Howard as already been contacted by 2 Development Companies. Howard explained that for the project on 200 Block of N Wayne Street they are looking for retail on the bottom story and residential on the second and third story. The RFP required the developer to have one letter of intent of a retail business going into the first story of the building. Redevelopment will be reviewing bids at the October 26th meeting.

Old 27 Car Tour was a success. Howard explained after they ate lunch the participants of the tour were urged to visit local business for a couple of hours to participate in a drawing for each business and return to the park at 3:00 pm for the drawings. Reeds Roasters gave everyone who visited the store a ticket for a chance to win a basket which included 2 kinds of beans, and a pour over coffee maker. Waterloo Antique Mall also gave everyone who visited the store a ticket to win the drawing. The basket included an antique truck and oil can and some old car magazines. Burgers Fries and Milkshakes was not open at the time but Main Street gave a ticket for a gift certificate for a "Big Milkshake".

**Communication from the Clerk Treasurer:** Fund report reviewed.

**Communication from Committees:** NONE

**Approval of Minutes and Claims:** August 3 minutes reviewed. Motion to approve minutes made by Hobbs (Iddings) passed.

August 9 minutes reviewed. Motion made to approve by Caudill (Hobbs) passed. Jessup abstained from voting since he was absent at the August 9 board meeting.

August 17 minutes reviewed. Corrections made. Motion made to approve the corrected minutes by Caudill (Iddings) passed.

August 31 minutes reviewed. Motion made to approve minutes by Hobbs (Caudill) passed.

Claims reviewed. Caudill asked what the claim to Computer Share was, Ball explained it was the fee for water bond payment and had to be wired out. Motion to approve claims made by Caudill (Iddings) passed.

Adjustments reviewed. Ball explained why the adjustments were made to two accounts due to meter reading error. Motion to approve adjustments made by Hobbs (Iddings) passed.

**Old Business: NONE**

**New Business:**

- 1. Historical Register for the Depot:** Craig Berndt has been advising the Friends of the Depot to become a non-for-profit company and getting on the historical register. They will need to apply for Federal 501-C3 status, which would mean tax exempt on purchases, and they can apply and obtain grants. By getting on the historical register Friends of the Depot then can also apply to the Federal Nominee to the historical register. This will help them apply for grants and receive donations.
- 2. Radios – Fire/Police:** Fire Chief Kirby Hobbs discussed the two quotes he has received. When reviewing the two quotes he explained that the Motorola and ERS Wireless quotes go together. The quote from J & K Communications was in the amount of \$183,192.11, Motorola was in the amount of \$234,389.86 and ERS Wireless was in the amount of \$6,591.25. Discussion was held. Tabled
- 3. Fire Pits:** Howard stated the current ordinance is outdated. The Town will need to have a public hearing to change the nuisance ordinance. Howard had several compliance or concerns brought to her attention. Discussion was held.
- 4. Depot Dog Policy:** Howard explained the depot currently does not allow pets, but the Amtrak does. The Depot attendants brought the issue to Howard. Howard discussed the dog policy. The policy changed from Depot Pet Policy to read Amtrak Depot Pet Policy. This policy is for all pets that ride on the Amtrak Train. Motion to approve the revised Depot Pet Policy made by Hobbs (Iddings) passed.
- 5. Sycamore Survey:** Howard discussed the quote from A&Z to re-establish Sycamore Street. Eric Weber addressed the Town council regarding the proposal of 4 property owners to vacate Sycamore Street. Town council was asked to consider the sale or deed 15ft of right of way on each side to the 4 property owners. Howard explained that the Town Council will have a survey done on this property. When the Town Council receives the survey from A & Z Engineering Eric Weber asked if the Town could supply him with a copy of the survey. Howard would like permission from the Town Council to order a survey of Sycamore Street from A & Z Engineering in the amount of \$4,000.00. MVH funds will be used to pay for the survey. Howard will email Eric Weber and Kevin Webb if the

Sycamore Survey is on the next month's Town Council agenda. Motion to order the survey made by Caudill (Iddings) passed.

6. **Maple Street – GME Testing:** Howard explained that West Maple Street should be changed to a no truck traffic road due to deterioration of the road caused by heavy truck flow. GME Testing will need to be done to see how deep down the road needs to be rebuilt. The test will cost \$6,400.00. Motion to approve the GME Testing on West Maple Street made by Caudill (Iddings) passed.
7. **BP Credit Card:** Duszynski wrote a letter to the town council stating that the house account the Town of Waterloo has with BP will be close and that the town will need to open a credit card for the employees to buy gas. Motion to authorize Renee Duszynski to apply for a credit card made by Caudill (Hobbs) passed.

**Other: NONE**

**Floor:** Cole Deuey asked the Town Council for permission to hunt on the West of the cemetery. It is zoned as open space and Cole Deuey could not find an ordinance prohibiting hunting. Town Council had a discussion, it was brought up that the Town of Waterloo has a no discharge gun in town limits ordinance and this property is in the town limits. Jessup appreciated that Cole Deuey asked for permission, but Jessup does not think it will be feasible to use this property for hunting.

Dusty Bock, owner of 850 N Wayne Street stated that he has an easement and alley by his house. He would like to vacate the ally by his house to prevent the neighbor from using his ally. Discussion was held. Kruse gave no legal advice but did mention that maybe Dusty Bock can get an objection blocking the neighbor that on one other than utilities can use the easement.. Howard will keep Kruse updated on this matter.

Kevin Webb thanks council for looking into the burning.

I, Jennifer Ball, the duly qualified Deputy 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 September 13, 2022, as such appears in the official minutes of said Waterloo Town Council, in my custody.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.



President, Jess Jessup



Deputy Clerk, Jennifer Ball