

Waterloo Town Council Meeting
January 9, 2024

A meeting of the Waterloo Town Council was held January 9, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Waterloo Historic Train Depot present were:

Greg Iddings	Josh Caudill
Ken Surber	Pam Howard / Town Manager
Andrew Kruse / Town Attorney	Renee Duszynski / Clerk Treasurer

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

Election of Officers – Kruse opened with the Election of President and Vice President. Motion for Josh Caudill as President was made by Surber (Iddings) passed. Motion Ken Surber for Vice President was made by Iddings (Caudill) passed. There are no other nominations. Kruse turned the meeting back over to Caudill.

Caudill did roll call and the pledge was recited.

Communication from the President: The wastewater project is still moving forward. Caudill stated he had a meeting with Baker Tilly. Mid-Western Engineering is working on a couple of changes, and they should be completed by the end of the week.

Communication from Town Manager:

There will be a chili supper on January 19 for free will donation. This is a fundraiser for sidewalks in Veterans Park.

IDEM rolled out a lead and copper rule for water services. IDEM requires the town to inventory the lines going into the home for copper and lead. There will be a survey sent out with pictures showing what the lines look like. This project needs to be completed by October. The water department will get a quote for pot holing for those lines that are unknown on the town side.

Region 3A will go door to door to complete the income survey. This survey is essential for the town to get a planning grant from OCRA so that Plan Commission can revise the Town's Comprehensive plan.

One of the plow trucks had the air brakes go out today. It will go out tomorrow for repair.

Communication from The Clerk Treasurer:

Duszynski reviewed the fund report. The town did receive end of year settlement. She stated that the general fund ended with over \$800,000 and \$650,000 was the required balance to carry the fund through the June settlement.

Communication from Boards and Committees:

Duszynski stated that Main Street is looking to get a shed. They are out of room for storage at the Town Hall and it would be ideal for the Main Street items to be accessible by the board members, at this time it is only accessible through a town hall employee. Duszynski also stated that Main Street has no real property and would like to ask the council for permission to put the shed on town property. She believes that the space behind the Lion's Club facility would be ideal. She also stated they still need members and volunteers.

Approval of Minutes and Claims and Adjustments:

Minutes from November 27th were reviewed. Motion to approve as amended was made by Surber (Iddings) passed.

Minutes from December 12th were reviewed. Motion to approve was made by Iddings (Surber) passed.

Claims reviewed. Motion to approve claims was made by Surber (Iddings) passed.

Adjustments reviewed. Motion to approve adjustments was made by Iddings (Surber) passed.

Ordinances/Resolutions:

- 1. Salary Ordinance 24-01:** Duszynski explained the changes to the utility superintendent line. Motion to approve Salary Ordinance 24-01 was made by Surber (Iddings) passed.
- 2. Rainy Day Resolution 24-01:** Duszynski explained the rainy-day fund and process. She read the totals. Motion to approve Rainy Day Resolution 24-01 was made by Surber (Iddings) passed.
- 3. Encumbrance Resolution 24-02:** Duszynski explained that the fire department had ordered equipment that was appropriated in the 2023 budget but will not be paid for until 2024, this resolution will allow the money to be encumbered for the expenses. Motion to approve Encumbrance Resolution 24-02 was made by Iddings (Surber) passed.

Old Business:

- 1. U.S. 6 Speed Limit Change:** tabled.
- 2. Business Zoning Issues:** tabled.
- 3. Personal Policy:** tabled.

New Business:

- 1. Code Enforcement Year End Update:** Jon Williams, code enforcement officer, presented his year-end report. See attached breakdown of code enforcement fees. Caudill stated 905 Ruman Street has been renovated and the mold test came back as negative. Williams confirmed. Kruse stated he could file a petition to have it torn down but does not feel it would move forward. Surber saw pictures and it has been improved nicely, it would not be beneficial to tear it down. It would be more beneficial to keep it on the tax rolls. Caudill believes pursuing it would be a waste of time and resources.

2. **Sexton Contract:** The contract has remained the same. Anthony Ley will be retained for \$1,500.00 for the year 2024. Motion to approve Sexton contract was made by Surber (Iddings) passed.
3. **Nepotism/Conflict of Interest:** Elected Officials need to sign stating they will not violate. Howard asked if superintendents need to sign. Kruse confirmed it was only for elected officials.
4. **Plan Commission Appt:** Howard stated she has spoken with Jack Oaks several times. He has expressed interest in serving the Plan Commission. Howard reviewed his qualifications. Caudill moved to appoint Jack Oaks to Plan Commission second made by Surber. Motion passed.
5. **Outstanding Warrants:** Checks more than 2 years old can be receipted back in to the general fund. The checks from 2021 total \$102.90. See Attached list. Motion to approve was made by Iddings (Surber) passed.

Floor: None

Other: None

I, Renee Duszynski, 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 January 9, 2024, and, as such appears in the official minutes of said Waterloo Town Council, in my custody.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.



President, Josh Caudill



Clerk Treasurer, Renee Duszynski