

At the Town Board meeting of the Waterford Town Board held on April 2, 2018 at Waterford Town Hall, 65 Broad Street, Waterford, NY at 7:00 P.M. the following transpired:

There were present:

Councilman Ball

Councilman Boudreau

Councilman Marble

Councilman McClement

Supervisor Lawler

### **Communications and Petitions**

There were none

### **Action on Minutes of Previous Meetings as Follows**

Minutes of the Town Board meeting of March 5, 2019 and Agenda Meeting of March 26, 2019 were presented to the Board. A motion was made by Councilman Boudreau seconded by Councilman McClement to accept the minutes as presented. All in favor.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Financial Report and Submission of Bills and Petty Cash**

Supervisor Lawler read the financial report for the month of March. The petty cash report totaled \$58.19. The audited abstracts totaled \$328,689.92 and the payments in advance of audit totaled \$33,745.77. A motion was made by Councilman Boudreau and seconded by Councilman Marble to accept the reports, pay the bills and reimburse the petty cash account. All in favor.

#### **Committee on Seniors, Highways, Wastewater Treatment, Water Authority, and Cemetery.**

Councilman Boudreau read the Highway report as submitted by Highway Superintendent Harry Martel. The Town Highway crew has been out filling potholes and repairing plow damage from this past winter. The Town Trash Drop Off Program will start this Saturday April 6, 2019 from 8am to 1pm, check the town website for additional dates. There has been a price change for the Trash Drop Off Program; Passenger Cars are \$5.00, Vans & Pickups are \$15.00, and Cars, Vans or Trucks with trailer are \$25.00. The Electronics Recycling program will be held on April 20, 2019 from 8am to 1pm. Town street sweeping starts on April 29 thru May 3 from 7am to 3pm, please follow all no parking signs. A reminder to residents about putting acceptable and non-acceptable items on their trash containers, if you have any unacceptable items in your trash container, it will not be picked up until the items are removed. If you are in need of a new trash can or recycle bin please contact the Town Clerks Office at 518-235-8282.

The Councilman then read the Water Pollution Control Facility report as submitted by Plant Operator Craig Falcone. 14,000 gallons of sludge was removed to Albany County and 54,000 gallons was removed to Saratoga County. They answered 8 alarm calls; 3 phone line issues and 5 mechanical issues. They performed normal maintenance; checked all pump stations and cleaned floats as needed. Continued maintenance of outside grounds, equipment and vehicles. Used the Vac truck to clean out Mallards North, Mallards South, Suncrest Drive, Sage Road, and

Fonda Road pump stations. They cleaned the roadside grit chamber with the Vac Truck and did repairs at Murray Ave. pump station.

Councilman Boudreau went on to read the Water Commissioners report for the month. The water works delivered 23,800,000 gallons of water. Waterworks staff completed a total of 97 service calls and 13 dig-safe utility locations during the month. In addition to calls, the staff installed new AMR water meters, calibrated and maintained equipment, completed weekly safety meeting, monthly water testing and completed meter reading.

Councilman Boudreau read a report by Town Historian Russ VanDervoort. Mr. Vandervoort presented a program at the Clifton Park Halfmoon Library on lifestyles of boating families who lived on board their boats. There were more than 70 attendees. He is currently working with the Taylor family currently residing in Southern California, they may be in the family of past Town Supervisor Charles Taylor. Mr. Vandervoort is working with Nue Studios of Cohoes on preserving a 1952 pencil drawn detailed map of Waterford that details historical places in Waterford from 1660-1952. He also attended a meeting on the adaptive re-use of the Matton's Shipyard and its historical significance.

The Councilman then read the list of upcoming events at the Waterford Historical Museum. Canal Clean Sweep is Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> at 9am- The cleanup will be of the Old Champlain Canal Lock 4. Register on the New York Parks and Trails website. Docent training introductory workshop in Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. Additional volunteers are needed during the May thru October to act as docents. Museum opening night reception is Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7pm-9pm. It is free for members and \$5 general admission. Light food and drink will be available. Paint and Sip on the Museum Porch is Saturday June 8<sup>th</sup> from 12:30-2:30. Reservation is required. Limit of 12 people may attend. \$25 per person, \$20 for museum members. The Canalways Educational Program runs the week of June 14, 9:30am – 1pm daily. Volunteers are still needed to help guide students to different educational stations. There is a special book signing “Along the Erie Canal” July 20<sup>th</sup> 1pm-2:30pm. The Waterford Porch Crawl will be Saturday August 10<sup>th</sup> 1pm-4pm. Community involvement needed. Event participation \$5. Volunteers are still encouraged to join Museum Board. Welcome back Deborah Fennelly as acting Membership Committee Chair.

Councilman Boudreau then stated that the Town of Waterford Draft MS4 Annual Report is now available for review. It can be found on the Town website: [www.town.waterford.ny.us](http://www.town.waterford.ny.us) under the Document Center. The Draft report is also available for review in the Town Clerks Office during normal business hours, M-F. If there are any questions or comments on the Draft report, please contact Highway Superintendent Harry Martel by mail at 65 Broad Street Waterford NY 12188, phone: 518-235-3413 or by email [martelhb@town.waterford.ny.us](mailto:martelhb@town.waterford.ny.us). Comments should be submitted by May 2, 2019.

### **Committee on Public Safety, Emergency Services, and Liaison to Village**

Councilman Ball commented on the new format used for Police Department calls report. There were 259 calls in March. There were 5 fire calls, 14 EMS calls, 11 Motor Vehicle, 18 Animal Control, calls, and 24 school details. The Councilman commended Sgt. VanBramer from the Waterford Police Department and Cody Paquin a Firefighter/EMT for their response to a call for

a possible overdose on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Narcan was successfully administered and the individual fled the scene. Councilman Ball then spoke of the outpouring of support for the family of Ray Swart from our local Fire Departments, EMS and community during his services.

The Waterford Fire Department recently joined with the Northside Fire Department for live fire training at the Saratoga County training facility. Councilman Ball stated that there is a burn ban in NYS from March 16<sup>th</sup> thru May 14<sup>th</sup> due to dry vegetation. Residents are reminded not to burn items in trash containers or to light campfires.

The Councilman stated that the fundraiser for Terry Colony at the K of C was well attended. Our community showed outstanding support. Craig Falcone added that Mr. Colony is doing much better and is progressing, his spirits are good. He went on to say that the K of C is a great organization and they were very helpful. The fundraiser raised a lot of money to help support the family. Supervisor Lawler added that Joe Forget did a great job of organizing the kitchen.

### **Committee on Veterans, Grants and Funding, Special Projects, Town Hall and Seniors**

Councilman McClement read the Waterford Senior Center report as submitted by director Mike Mahoney. The Seniors celebrated St Patricks Day with a luncheon on March 19<sup>th</sup>. The corned beef dinner was catered by the Angry Penquin. 52 Seniors attended the dinner along with special guests who helped serve the meals, Town Supervisor Jack Lawler, Mayor Bert Mahoney and members of the Town and Village boards. The Seniors would like to thank the Town and Village boards for all their support throughout the year. The Seniors would like to thank The Angry penguin and their staff for a delicious meal. The Seniors also want to thank all that helped with the decorations and set up. After dinner there were plenty of desserts, Bingo and 50/50. A wonderful day was had by all. The Senior Bocci League will be starting soon, please call the center for more information 518-235-8500. The Center is open Monday thru Friday for cards and Bingo, Chair Yoga on Thursdays and Watercolor class on Fridays. The grocery bus runs on Wednesday. The Seniors are always looking for new members call the center for more information, 518-235-8500.

Councilman McClement then read the Senior Bus Activity report. For the month of March, the Grocery Run had 45 passengers and traveled a total of 66 miles. There were 2 passengers transported to the Senior Center for the St Patricks luncheon.

### **Committee on Youth, Playground, Pool, Festivals, Library, WHUFSD, and Visitor Center**

Councilman Marble stated that we are accepting applications for lifeguards and swim instructors. Applications can be picked up at the Supervisor's Office. Applicants must be red cross certified.

The Memorial Day Parade is Wed. May 22 at 7 PM. Ceremony to follow at Soldiers and Sailors Park.

The NYS Canal opens for the season on Friday MAY 17<sup>TH</sup> AT 7 AM. Once again, the fees and tolls will be waived.

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL:

April 12<sup>th</sup> is the Junior High Semi Formal which will be held at the school.

April 14<sup>th</sup> is the Father Daughter Sweetheart dance

April 18<sup>th</sup> is a School board mtg in which the budget will be adopted prior the budget vote.

April 19-26 Holiday Recess

May 9<sup>th</sup> is the budget public hearing

May 21<sup>st</sup> is the school budget vote.

May 10<sup>th</sup> is the annual blood drive at the school. The red cross will be there all day.

Councilman Marble then read news from the Waterford Library as submitted by Director Tim McDonough. The memorial stone for Michael Marchese has been ordered and should be complete by the end of the month. When the stone is ready a date will be set for a little ceremony to dedicate the space officially. The library would like to share their heartfelt thanks for the generous contribution from the Town towards the cost of the memorial stone.

The Library is beginning a new strategic planning process with help from the Southern Adirondack Library System. Part of the planning includes soliciting feedback from the community. We hope to facilitate one or more “Community Conversations” during 2019 and invite any interested members of the town and village government to contact me for additional information. They would like to thank Diane Steele and her art students for sharing their artwork with the library. They actually had a couple of pieces sell as a result of the exhibit. Look for some new artwork on the walls in the weeks to come, as well as some new display collections in the display case. Anyone interested in sharing their unique collections with the community by displaying it in the case should contact the library.

Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> 10-12 at the Community Center will be an educational gardening program sponsored by the Friends of the Library. A representative from the Cornell Cooperative Extension will be explaining how to container garden and the use of herbs as a companion plant.

There will be an Easter egg hunt at Lock 2 April 13<sup>th</sup> at 11 am Sponsored by the Waterford Wesleyan Church

## **General Orders**

### RESOLUTION #41

Be it resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Waterford hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute an agreement with Saratoga County in the amount of \$7,900.00 to participate in the Saratoga County STOP-DWI program for 2019.

Offered by Councilman Ball

Seconded by Councilman Marble

Councilman Ball Yes  
Councilman Boudreau Yes  
Councilman Marble Yes  
Councilman McClement Yes  
Supervisor Lawler Yes

#### RESOLUTION #42

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Waterford hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute an agreement with Girvin&Ferlazzo, PC to retain their services for personal service matters for 2019.

Offered by Councilman Ball  
Seconded by Councilman Boudreau

Councilman Ball Yes  
Councilman Boudreau Yes  
Councilman Marble Yes  
Councilman McClement Yes  
Supervisor Lawler Yes

#### RESOLUTION#43

WHEREAS, the Town of Clifton Park and the Town of Waterford recognize the benefit to both municipalities that arise from the cooperative provisions of services to their residents, and

WHEREAS, Clifton Park and Waterford wish to enter into an agreement whereby Clifton Park will provide on call and sick/vacation coverage for the Waterford Animal Control Department; and

WHEREAS, Clifton Park has the personnel and equipment to provide on call and sick/vacation coverage for the Waterford Animal Control Department;

NOWTHEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the Inter-municipal Agreement between the Town of Waterford and the Town of Clifton Park for the provision of Animal Control Services at a cost of \$35.00 per call plus mileage; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Inter-municipal Agreement between the Towns of Clifton Park and Waterford will run from April 1, 2019 thru March 31, 2020.

Offered by Councilman Ball  
Seconded by Councilman Marble

Councilman Ball Yes  
Councilman Boudreau Yes  
Councilman Marble Yes

Councilman McClement Yes  
Supervisor Lawler Yes

#### RESOLUTION#44

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Waterford hereby approves the fee changes for the Annual Trash Drop Off program as follows: Passenger Cars currently \$15.00 will change to \$5.00, Vans and Pick-ups currently \$30.00 will change to \$15.00, Trucks, Vans and Cars with Trailer currently \$40.00 will change to \$25.00; and

Be It Further Resolved, that these fee changes will take effect immediately.

Offered by Councilman Boudreau  
Seconded by Councilman Marble

Councilman Ball Yes  
Councilman Boudreau Yes  
Councilman Marble Yes  
Councilman McClement Yes  
Supervisor Lawler Yes

#### RESOLUTION #45

WHEREAS, the State of New York has requested the Town of Waterford to incorporate improvements (the "State Reverse Betterment") to Route 32 Waterford Streetscape Project- Drainage and Pavement Improvement;

NOW, THEREFORE, the **Town Board**, duly convened does hereby;

RESOLVE, that the **Town Board** hereby approves such project inclusive of the State Betterment (collectively the "Project"); and it is hereby further

RESOLVED, that the **Town Board** hereby authorizes the Town of Waterford pay in the first instance 100% of the costs of the Project or portions thereof; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$350,000.00 will be appropriated and made available to cover the cost of participation in the Construction phase of the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Waterford be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests on behalf of Town of Waterford with NYSDOT in connection with the implementation of the Project, and reimbursement of the approved costs associated with the State Reverse Betterment, and it is further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project, and it is further

RESOLVED, this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Offered by Councilman Marble  
Seconded by Councilman Ball

Councilman Ball Yes  
Councilman Boudreau Yes  
Councilman Marble Yes  
Councilman McClement Yes  
Supervisor Lawler Yes

#### RESOLUTION#46

RESOLVED, that Waterford Town Hall roof hatch was recently damaged; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to perform immediate repairs to the roof hatch to secure the building from the elements and allow safe access to the roof;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign an agreement with Mid State Industries, LTD in an amount not to exceed \$3,500.00 for emergency repairs.

Offered by Councilman Marble  
Seconded by Councilman McClement

Councilman Ball Yes  
Councilman Boudreau Yes  
Councilman Marble Yes  
Councilman McClement Yes  
Supervisor Lawler Yes

#### **Other Business**

#### RESOLUTION #47

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Waterford hereby authorizes the Supervisor to execute an agreement with UHY LLP in an amount not to exceed \$21,012.50 for audit services to be performed relative to the Town's 2018 financial records.

Offered by Councilman Marble  
Seconded by Councilman Boudreau  
Councilman Ball Yes  
Councilman Boudreau Yes  
Councilman Marble Yes  
Councilman McClement Yes  
Supervisor Lawler Yes

Supervisor Lawler stated that after the regular meeting the Board will need an Executive Session to discuss a contract and personnel issue. It should take no more than thirty minutes and the Board will then reconvene to possibly act on the contract. Anyone is welcome to stay.

The Supervisor then opened the meeting for public comment.

Debra Fennelly- 6 Shear Ct.- Spoke of code violations she has observed at 5 Shear Court. Believes the owner is operating a wood and landscape business from the residence. The homeowner is dumping grass/leaves/clippings across the way from their homes. Ms. Fennelly displayed various photos for the Board to view. The Knights/Baptiste own the property where the dumping is occurring, a photo from June 2018 was shown. Ms. Fennelly believes this is a business due to the amount of wood inventory. Photos were shown.

Supervisor Lawler asked if the wood was on the property of 5 Shear Ct, Ms. Fennelly confirmed.

Mark Sarchelli- 7 Shear Ct., added that the owner does have a wood stove.

Ms. Fennelly is concerned the dumping of yard waste across the way will block the natural stream. It is her understanding from the Knight subdivision that this stream needs to be maintained. The resident told police that he has permission to dump there from the Knights, who own the property. Ms Fennelly has called the Building Inspector, and he has come out a few times, he has not seen the dumping take place.

The Knights have been notified of the dumping and they don't want dumping on their property. The resident makes night deliveries, she does not see people come around during the day. They hear woodchipper and chainsaw noise, the view is unsightly and affecting property values.

Supervisor Lawler added that this stream is tied to Sugarloaf Pond drainage and does need to be kept clear.

Councilman McClement asked if the homeowner is taking trees down and bringing them to his property.

Ms. Fennelly was not sure.

Glenn Hebert asked if the homeowner was using the wood to heat his home.

Mr. Sarchelli added that his wife has seen the wood stove run, infrequently.

Supervisor Lawler stated that the amount of wood seems too much for personal use, more for commercial use especially if it's being taken away, refutes the personal use claim. This is the first he is hearing of this issue; he will speak with the Police Department and Building Inspector and will have an answer by the end of the week. No one should have to live next to this or go through this.

Mr. Sarchelli commented on the quality of the neighborhood declining.



There was a motion to move to Executive Session at 8:00PM made by Councilman Ball, seconded by Councilman McClement. Supervisor Lawler stated it should take no more than thirty minutes and the Board expects to reconvene to act on one, maybe two items.

Supervisor Lawler called the Meeting back to order at 8:35PM.

RESOLUTION#48

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Waterford hereby authorizes the Supervisor to execute a contract with GAR Associates LLC in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 for two years.

Offered by Councilman Ball  
Seconded by Councilman Marble  
Councilman Ball Yes  
Councilman Boudreau Yes  
Councilman Marble Yes  
Councilman McClement Yes  
Supervisor Lawler Yes

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:35PM by Councilman Boudreau, seconded by Councilman McClement.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Shannon Carrigan  
Town Clerk