

At the Town Board meeting of the Waterford Town Board held on October 2, 2018 at Waterford Town Hall, 65 Broad Street, Waterford, NY at 7:06 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 September 4, 2018 and Agenda and Special Meeting of September 25, 2018 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 September 2018. The petty cash report totaled \$78.57. The audited abstracts totaled \$226,733.38 and the payments in advance of audit totaled \$41,108.44. A motion was made by Councilman Ball and seconded by Councilman McClement 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 Department report as submitted by Highway Superintendent Harry Martel. The crew patched pot holes on Ferguson Lane, repaired and repaved 200 feet of black top swale on Columbus Avenue and repaired and rebuilt a catch basin on Birch Glen. The highway crew also finished top soiling the new road on Mallards Landing South and landscaped the cul de sac on Devitt Road South. Several road signs in Town were replaced. The Trash Drop Off Program will be open every Saturday in October from 8am to 1pm. Please call the Town Clerks Office at 518-235-8282 if you need a new garbage can. The Councilman then went on to read the Seniors Activity report. Twenty-three seniors attended the Saratoga County Office for the Aging picnic on September 6 at the county fairgrounds. The monthly meetings of the seniors resumed on September 18th, the installation of officers was conducted by Councilman Jim Boudreau and hamburgers and hotdogs were cooked by the men of the Texas-Hold-em group, 54 seniors attended. This year's Christmas party will be held on December 2nd, plans are still being finalized. The Bocci league has ended for the season, and a luncheon was held at the Halfmoon Diner on September 27. The center is open Monday thru Friday and new members are always welcome. The Seniors would like to thank the Town and Village for their help and support all year. The report was submitted by Director Mike Mahoney. Councilman Boudreau spoke about the Congregate Meals Program. Saratoga County Office for the Aging sponsors the Senior Nutrition Program in Saratoga County, part of this program is the Congregate Dining where meals are served at 12 noon at several meals sites in Saratoga County

including Waterford. This lunch is served Monday-Friday reservations required. A registration form must be completed please contact the Senior Center 518-235-8500.

The Senior Van report for the month of September was read; there were 92 people transported for a total of 1905 miles driven, with a daily average of 92 miles. This report was submitted by Senior Van Driver Neil Quantock. The Councilman then reported on the Wastewater Treatment Plant for the month of September as submitted by Craig Falcone, Plant Operator. Sludge was removed to Albany County and to Saratoga County. They answered 5 alarm calls. Normal maintenance was performed and they checked all pump stations and cleaned floats as needed. Verizon conducted more repair work on the phone line going from Mallards Landing North pump station to the plant and replaced a faulty alarm system fuse housing at the pump station. The crew replaced blown fuses at the Visitors Center boat pump out controls. Troy belting installed new power drive and contactors on wasting pump #2. The Water Commissioners reported that 28,350,000 gallons of water was delivered. The staff completed 54 service calls and 52 dig safely locations. New AMR meters were installed, maintained equipment, completed weekly safety meetings, monthly water testing, and completed meter readings.

Committee on Public Safety, Emergency Services

Councilman Ball stated that next week is Fire Prevention Week. He introduced Lt. Jim Norris, Cpl. Nick Cook Sr. and "Sparky" from the Waterford Fire Department. Lt. Norris highlighted the Look, Listen, and Learn Program that will be presented to Waterford students from grades prk-6. Is it a multi level program. For the younger students the first step is to get them comfortable seeing the firefighters in their full gear, as they move to the older students it is showing them what to do in the case of a fire. There is an open house on Wed. October 10 from 6-8PM at the Ford Hose Fire Department on Division Street. Several local stations will be there such as the Waterford Rescue Squad and Momentive. Councilman Ball commended Lt. Norris on his military service and his years with the Waterford Fire Department. He then stated that Northside Fire and the Waterford Fire Department recently conducted a joint live fire exercise at the county training center. Councilman Ball stated as a public service announcement Flight Lock Road will have heavier than normal traffic for the next 30-45 days. New York State will be removing dredging materials. If you travel this area be cautious of the trucks. Supervisor Lawler questioned the materials being transported, the hours this would happen and if the road will be closed at any point. Councilman Ball stated the materials will be transported during the daylight hours, the road will remain open, just be cautious, and the materials are non toxic and non hazardous. The Councilman stated that the WPD received a new vehicle, a Ford Explorer. The Saratoga County Sheriff provided us a cage for the vehicle until we get our own in 4-6 weeks. The portable speed sign has arrived and will be placed around the community soon. They will be reporting on the results and will keep the public aware of this weekly. The Total Call Arrest Report for September was discussed. The file system is down which prevented a more detailed report at this time. Supervisor Lawler asked about the large number of calls under Call Type #45. Paul McInerney stated that this file contains general calls, when Officers are called out for service; such as welfare checks, landlord tenant disputes.

Committee on Veterans, Grants and Funding, Buildings, and Special Projects

Councilman McClement stated that Veterans Advisory Board has held two meetings so far. They have about a dozen veterans, from all eras and branches attending. They represent WWII, Vietnam, Lebanon and Grenada/Panama and the Global War on Terrorism. The banner project

is well under way and other ideas being discussed. He is excited about the direction of the group; it continues to grow each meeting. The next meeting is Wednesday Oct 17th at 6pm and the Waterford Community Center, all Veterans in Waterford are welcome to attend. On October 16th at 2:30pm is the Saratoga County Deceased Veteran Ceremony. It is Waterford's turn to honor a deceased Veteran, this month Corporal John Scarchilli will be honored. Cpl Scarchilli was in the United States Marine Corp and was killed in action in WWII. He fell on Iwo Jima. He was well decorated. The ceremony is held at 40 McMaster Street in Ballston Spa. The Councilman went on to say that the 7th Annual Revolutionary Run for Veterans will be held on Saturday November 3rd at Ford Hardy Park in Schuylerville. Email finishright.com to register. There is always good representation from Waterford. Momentive is again a sponsor as is Waterford Clock. All proceeds benefit the Saratoga County Veterans Trust Fund which helps Veterans and their families in Saratoga County in time of emergency. Please contact the Saratoga County Veterans Service Agency at 518-884-4115 to learn more information about this trust fund. Councilman McClement read the Waterford Harbor Visitor Center report as submitted by Chris Callaghan. The Canal will be closing October 10th, the office will remain open on a reduced schedule till October 17.

The 19th annual Tugboat Roundup was well attended. The Visitor Center was dedicated to Dick Hurst. 120 boats, 15 campers, more than 26 groups of day visitors were entertained by the Visitor Center. They came from 27 states, 3 Canadian provinces, the United Kingdom, Germany and the Netherlands. Fourteen of the boaters reported spending \$2460 in Waterford, suggesting that the total spent by visitors topped \$41,000 in September. The Waterford Farmers Market will hold its final market on Sunday October 7; an extra week may be added. A note from a visiting boater stated that they enjoyed their stay in Waterford and commended the volunteer staff. The volunteers from the Visitor Center logged 397 hours. Councilman McClement recognized the volunteers and the appreciation we have for them and their work.

Supervisor Lawler asked the Councilman to talk about the Deceased Veteran Ceremony and how that all comes together. Councilman McClement stated each month Saratoga County holds an honor a Deceased Veteran program. This is to honor Veterans in the community who have made either an exceptional sacrifice in service or served in the US military and made a significant contribution to their community. Each month this rotates so that each Town has a turn to honor a Veteran in their community and share Saratoga County's highest honor. Elected Officials from all levels of government, local to federal and on both aisles, this is a bipartisan ceremony, attend. Supervisor Lawler asked about the selection process and how Mr. Scarchilli came to be selected. Councilman McClement stated that all communities work with their local veterans organizations. In Waterford, the Veterans Agency works with the local veterans group, which is the VFW, to get the nominees for this honor, the Supervisor then passes this to the Board of Supervisors. Neither the Town Board or Town Supervisor is involved in the selection process. We work with the veterans organizations directly to get the selection.

Supervisor Lawler added that it is important that the Veterans organizations are the ones involved in this selection process. Waterford has always gone to the VFW for this selection. The Scarchilli family is extremely well known in the community with a lifetime of involvement, it is great to honor a member of their family. This is a great ceremony.

The Supervisor went on to say that Frank does a great job as the Director of the Veterans Service Agency and works hard researching every nominee and working with the families to keep them involved and comfortable.

Councilman McClement spoke of the new display case at the entrance of the Board of Supervisors meeting room. The medals, photos and personal memorabilia of each honoree will be featured in this display case for 30 days, Joe Scarchilli will be the second honoree to be showcased here.

Committee on Youth, Playgrounds, Pool, Festivals, Liaison to Village, Museum, Library and WHCS

Councilman Marble stated that the Town is having a fall party which we are calling a BOO BASH at the Community Bldg on Sat Oct 27th from 1-3 pm. There will be a costume parade with prizes, crafts, games, and refreshments. Come join us for an afternoon of fun.

School sports are in full swing. Check the school website for the current schedules.

There will be a coffee house concert at the Library on Sunday Oct 14th at 2 pm. It will feature UK based singer songwriter Sarah McQuaid. This show is co sponsored by RadioRadioX.com, a new internet radio station located here in Waterford. The knitting circle is celebrating its one year anniversary this month! The group gathers at the library every other Thursday from 6-8 pm. Next gathering is on Thursday Oct 4th. There will be a workshop on identifying the signs of Dementia and Alzheimer's with the Alzheimer's Association of the Capital Region on Thurs Oct 25th from 5:30-7 pm. The Board of Directors voted to go Fine Free for all juvenile materials beginning in 2019. Materials that are lost or damaged would still need to be paid for. There will no longer be a fine for overdue books.

Oct 20th is the Cemetery Ghost tour hosted by the Museum and the WHHS. The paranormal tour at 9 pm is sold out. The Annual meeting at the museum will be held on Oct 22 at 6 pm at the Museum.

November 13th will be the start of the Winter Lecture Series. The first one will feature Michael Farrell who will be talking about Oakwood Cemetery. These are held at Van Schaick Country Club at 7 pm. Any other questions pertaining to the museum can be found on the museum website.

The Waterford Christmas Parade is Sat November 24th at 6 pm. Please call 518-527-1740 for more information and to sign up.

Supervisors Report

Supervisor Lawler stated that he received information regarding the NYS Deferred Compensation Program and asked the Town Clerk to reach out to town employees to see if there is an interest in setting up an informational workshop. The Supervisor went on to say that the Town has been awarded a Multi Model Grant close to \$100,000 to aid in the Saratoga Avenue streetscape entrance project which aims to improve the commercial part of Saratoga Avenue from the Cohoes Waterford bridge to Fulton Street. The project will improve sidewalks, make the areas safer for pedestrians with crosswalks and improved lighting. This grant will be a part of that. Dominick Gabriel was asked to look over the grant paperwork and report back to the board.

General Orders

RESOLUTION# 110

WHEREAS, an assessment roll has been prepared by this Board for and in connection with the improvements of Sewer District Number 1 for the Town of Waterford, consisting of the general

sewers and the establishment and equipment of the sewage disposal plant the roll was completed on September 1, 2018 and filed with the Town Clerk on this date, and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has given due notice to the Comptroller of the assessment roll and of where and when this board would meet to hear objections to the roll and to review, correct and amend the roll if necessary, and

WHEREAS, the Notice was published in the Schenectady Gazette newspaper and the Saratogian, both newspapers having circulation in the Town of Waterford and the latter being published in Saratoga County and the Town Board met at the time and place specified and the hearing was held upon the assessment roll,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk be and she is hereby instructed to annex to the assessment roll a warrant which is to be signed by the Supervisor and countersigned by the Town Clerk, commanding the Tax Collector and the Saratoga County Treasurer, to collect from the persons named in the assessment roll, the sum opposite their names to pay the same to the Supervisor of the Town.

Offered by Councilman Marble

Seconded by Councilman Boudreau

Councilman Ball yes

Councilman Boudreau yes

Councilman Marble yes

Councilman McClement yes

Supervisor Lawler yes

RESOLUTION# 111

Resolved, that Torri VanNostrand be and she is hereby authorized to attend a Certified Pool Operator Course October 25-26, 2018 at a cost of \$275.00

Offered by Councilman Marble

Seconded By Councilman Boudreau

Councilman Ball yes

Councilman Boudreau yes

Councilman Marble yes

Councilman McClement yes

Supervisor Lawler yes

RESOLUTION# 112

Resolved, that the Supervisor be and he is hereby authorized to sign the Civil Rights Certification form for the Town of Waterford Housing Choice Voucher Program.

Offered by Councilman McClement

Seconded by Councilman Boudreau

Councilman Ball yes

Councilman Boudreau yes

Councilman Marble yes
Councilman McClement yes
Supervisor Lawler yes

RESOLUTION# 113

RESOLVED, that Craig Falcone and Dave Bullett be and they are hereby authorized to attend The Fall meeting of the Adirondack Waterworks Conference and Workshop held on Thursday, November 1st, 2018 at the Century House Restaurant at a cost of \$90.00.

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

Councilman Boudreau stated that he wanted to apologize on the highway end for the delay in the paving projects that were to begin this week. The paving contractor is affected by the weather and they are working to finish other jobs. They should be here paving next week.

M. Murray- Asked for an update on the Veterans Banner status.

Councilman McClement stated that the Advisory Committee has had two meetings so far; they are ironing out the design and parameters of the project. They should be able to roll out the project to the public in a few months.

Ms. Murray asked for more clarification.

Councilman McClement stated that when the project is put out to the public, interested parties will be able to sign up.

Ms. Murray had questions about the updating of the town website, why events/parties mentioned at this meeting are not listed on the calendar and when the website will be updated.

Supervisor Lawler stated that events are posted on the website when they are announced at the Board Meeting, when the Board is made aware of them. Regarding the website- the Town is in the process of redesigning the website and it should be launched by the end of the year. The Supervisor agreed that the website needs consistent updating.

Ms. Murray asked what the words Pride and Express Elite mean on the calendar; there is no information to explain what that means.

Russ McCallister stated that there are two calendars on the website- town events and community events. He added that the community calendar shows teams who reserved fields.

Supervisor Lawler explained that the town softball and soccer fields can be reserved and used by local teams. The community calendar shows the teams that have reserved the fields. More detail will be added to this.

Supervisor Lawler stated that the Board will enter into executive session for a contractual matter. There is a contract and offer on the old Senior Center building on Third Street. The sale has not closed; the buyer has an issue with the Village Planning Board. This is a contractual matter. He does not expect any action to be taken, it should last about 15 minutes.

The Supervisor made a motion to enter into executive session at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Shannon Carrigan
Town Clerk