

**Minutes of the Village of Waterman Board held at Village Hall 215 W. Adams St. Waterman, IL 60556
Tuesday, September 12, 2023**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Robinson, Radtke, Sedlacek, Genslinger, Feitlich, and Johanningsmeier were present. Trustee Pearson arrived at 6:32 p.m.

Approve Agenda: Trustee Feitlich motioned to approve the agenda as published. Trustee Sedlacek 2nd. Roll call vote passed 5/0.

Approve Meeting Minutes: Trustee Feitlich motioned to approve the August 8, 2023, regular meeting minutes as published. Trustee Radtke 2nd. Roll call vote passed 6/0.

Accept Council Approval Reports: Trustee Feitlich motioned to accept the Council Approval Reports as published. Trustee Radtke 2nd. Roll call vote passed 6/0.

Accept Petty Cash Report: Trustee Feitlich motioned to approve the petty cash report as published. Trustee Radtke 2nd. Roll call vote passed 6/0.

Accept Treasurer's Funds Report: Trustee Feitlich motioned to approve the Treasurer's Fund Report as published. Trustee Radtke 2nd. Roll call vote passed 6/0.

Mayor's Report: President Robinson met with State Representative Brad Fritts. Robinson plans to sponsor a legislative breakfast in January 2024.

Request for Consideration: Nothing

Correspondence: Nothing

Staff Reports

Chief Swanson – Swanson provided the August stats report to the Board; activity decreased from last month. WPD will be assisting Pub West with “*The Wheel of Meat & More Raffle,*” event on September 16th to help raise funds for the Special Olympics and will be attending the Indian Creek High School homecoming parade on Saturday, September 23rd.

Village Manager Nykaza – Nykaza obtained quotes for chain-linked fences for the dog park and resurfacing/stripping the tennis courts. Net adjusters have been purchased to accommodate pickleball. Nykaza applied for the DCCF Grant for the dog park fence and picnic table. The fence repairs at the skate park and tennis courts have been completed. It was confirmed IDOT Rt. 30 street repairs are not scheduled until 2029. The Street Paving project begins on September 13th. All impacted property owners have been notified. A 5ft bike lane will be added on South Birch St. Sidewalk repairs were completed on August 31st. In the process of obtaining pricing for crack seal. Contracts for the winter season have been sent out. Aaron Full (Chastain & Associates) is still working on the Rt. 30 culvert project. Lions Club 5k Gobbler Gallop Event will be held on November 18th at 9 a.m. Nykaza will be attending the IML Conference on September 22nd and the NCICG Economic Summit on October 26th. Nykaza met with BNSF Railway on September 12th. Nykaza advised the install of the Toddler Garden will be moving forward. A new director,

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Stephanie Davies, will be taking over the project. They have placed Waterman as a priority to install the Toddler Garden at Lions Park.

Attorney Neveu – Will provide updates during new business and in closed session.

Public Works – Matt Conlin: The Public Works Department is continuing to work on the gravel shoulder project. Nykaza will be working with Public Works on replacing all damaged signs throughout the Village.

Committee Reports

Water & Sewer – Adam Pearson: Nothing

Streets & Alleys – Arnie Johanningsmeier: Nothing

Public Safety – Suzanne Sedlacek: Nothing

Buildings & Grounds – Alison Genslinger: Nothing

Finance & Personnel – Tony Feitlich: Updates provided for the meetings held on August 15th and September 6th. Discussed hiring a part-time police officer. The application deadline has been set for September 29th. Trustee Feitlich informed the Board of a calculation error that was discovered in the FY23 Budget report. The report will be corrected on the Village's website. Discussed County police coverage. County has offered Waterman police coverage for 15-20 hours at a rate of \$75.84 per hour at a minimum of 5-hour time blocks.

An error was found in the PD budget for the part-time salaries. Clerk Pool will update the budget to \$60,000.00 for this g/l account.

Economic Development – Sarah Radtke: Committee met on September 6th. TIF Application for Sean Logan Enterprises was reviewed for tree removal around their building located at 410 W. Adams Street. Recommended approving payout in the amount of \$1,527.00. Discussed the Comprehensive Plan, which is currently being reviewed by the Planning Commission.

Met with BNSF Railway to discuss removal of the dead trees along the tracks. BNSF will not be able to remove the trees behind AMK Auto Body as it falls on AMK's property.

Trustee Ratke motioned to approve the TIF application for Sean Logan Enterprises in the amount of \$1,527.00. Trustee Feitlich 2nd. Roll call vote passed 6/0.

Zoning – Sarah Radtke: Nothing

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Planning Commission – John Ecker: Received drafted Comprehensive Plan from Chastain & Associates. The committee will be meeting on September 25th to have the revisions approved to prepare the final Comprehensive Plan for presentation to the Board.

Regional Planning Commission – John Ecker: Discussion of running a Metra line through to Dekalb. John Ecker would like to volunteer Waterman as a host for a Regional Planning Commission Meeting. Would love to provide mentorship to the town of Lee to educate them on Waterman’s processes.

Public Comment: Nothing

Old Business: Nothing

Trustee Johanningsmeier motioned to enter executive session under subsection number 11 of Section 2(c) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss open legal and personnel matters. Trustee Pearson 2nd. Roll call vote passed 6/0.

Closed Session – Legal

Attorney Neveu provided an update on open legal matters. Trustee Feitlich motioned to exit executive session. Trustee Sedlacek 2nd. Roll call vote passed 6/0.

New Business: Trustee Feitlich motioned to pursue collection of judgment against Zemater at this time. Trustee Pearson 2nd. Roll call vote failed 0/6.

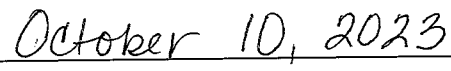
Adjournment:

Having no further business to conduct, Trustee Sedlacek motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m. Trustee Feitlich 2nd. Vote passed unanimously. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Abigail Pool



Approved