

At a Town Board Meeting of the Waterford Town Board held on Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at Waterford Town Hall, 65 Broad Street, Waterford, NY at 7P.M. the following transpired:

There were present:
Councilman Ball
Councilman Boudreau
Councilman Marble
Councilman McClement
Supervisor Lawler

ACTION ON MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Minutes of the Town Board meetings of January 5th, January 13th, January 20th and January 26th were presented to the Board for review. A Motion was made by Councilman Boudreau and seconded by Councilman McClement to accept the minutes as presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCIAL REPORTS AND SUBMISSION OF BILLS AND PETTY CASH

Supervisor Lawler read the Supervisor's cash report for the month of January 2016. The payments in advance of audit totaled \$61,653.85 and the audited vouchers totaled \$215,788.11. The petty cash report for the month totaled \$24.06. A motion was made by Councilman Boudreau and seconded by Councilman Marble to accept the cash report, pay the bills and reimburse the petty cash accounts. All in favor.

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAY, WASTEWATER TREATMENT, WATER AUTHORITY AND CEMETERY

Councilman Boudreau read the monthly report from the Water Department as issued by Ed Hernandez, General Manager. He then read the Wastewater Treatment plant report for the month of January as submitted by Richard Thyrring, Chief Operator. Councilman Boudreau then read the monthly report of the Highway Department as submitted by Harold Martel, Highway Superintendent. The Highway Superintendent detailed the Christmas tree chipping in Town. He also reminded everyone to follow the snow emergency signs and call the Highway garage with any questions at 235-3413.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, EMERGENCY SERVICES AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

Councilman Ball stated that the Uniform traffic ticket report yielded 122 citations. He read a letter from a resident commanding Officer Michael Dilbone for his aiding a wheelchair bound person on a very cold night. He further read a letter commending Paul Terry of the Waterford Highway Department for his work in retrieving the video of the vandalism at the Waterford Welcome Center. He then read the Waterford Rescue Squad report for the month of January.

COMMITTEE ON CANAL DEVELOPMENT, GRANTS AND PROGRAM FUNDING, COMMUNITY AND VILLAGE GOVERNMENT LIAISON

Councilman McClement read the Waterford Visitor's Center report with ongoing repair projects from the vandalism that occurred. The dumpster is being enclosed and we received a walkway grant. There are ongoing projects with the Comprehensive Plan committee meeting on Wednesday, February 3rd. The Champlain Canal Trail bridge area had a culvert placed and there are plans to connect to the Waterford trail. The Steamboat Meet will be held on July 2nd and the Tugboat Round up is slated for September 10-12th this year.

COMMITTEE ON YOUTH, SENIORS, PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS, POOL AND FESTIVALS

Pool

We are currently accepting applications for a seasonal pool director for this summer pool season. We are also accepting applications for lifeguards. Applications can be obtained in the supervisor's office and on the town website. The community/senior center is coming along and we are looking for a spring completion.

Senior Van

January

Hours worked 119.25

Miles driven 1843

Daily avg 92

Persons transported 86

Daily avg 4

Senior center

On Thursday Jan 14th seniors went on a shopping trip to Colonie Center and carabas for lunch. They held their monthly meeting on Tues Jan 26th in addition to regular business the seniors discussed upcoming events including their pot luck luncheon to be held on Tuesday Feb 16th. Seniors interested please call the center 235-8500 or contact Mary Vadney to sign up and bring a dish to share.

Plans are also being made for the senior St Patrick's Day luncheon to be held at the senior center on Tues. march 15th. The seniors would like to invite the Town and village bds. Please let Laurie Marble or Mike Mahoney know if you plan on attending.

On Thursday Jan 28th the seniors went on a bus trip to the Saratoga racino. Senior dues are due this month. YOU can pay them at the center or mail it Post office Box 554.

WE are always looking for more card players. If interested please contact the center.

The center is open for cards on Mon and wed. and bingo on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Shopping trips and the racino are on Thursdays. New members are always welcome.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Lawler spoke about the Water Emergency and water main break. He stated his deep appreciation to the Fire Departments, the Rescue Squad, the Water Department, and all Town employees, especially the Highway Department for their efforts to help in the emergency. He thanked the City of Cohoes, and its Mayor, Sean Morris and Gary Primeau who provided the Town with 100,000 gallons of water per day and kept us up and running... He thanked DeCrescente who immediately provided the Town with truckloads of bottled water on a very short

notice. He thanked Saratoga County Fire and Emergency Services as well as Rensselaer County fire departments. He stated that the businesses in Waterford who curtailed their business to pitch in were to be commended as well as Momentive who normally uses 300,000 gallons of water a day cut back to 100,000 gallons per day. Finally the Supervisor thanked the residents for their cooperation and positive spirit. He said we had not one complaint and everyone rose to the occasion, as usual for our residents. As a result of this water main break and the subsequent failure, the Town of Waterford and the Town of Halfmoon are actively researching another water source so we never go through this again. He further thanked the City of Troy for working so hard to fix the break.

**RESOLUTION NO. ____ OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF
RESOLUTION # 9
FOR THE YEAR 2016 APPOINTING DOMINIC GABRIEL AS TOWN
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT OFFICER**

WHEREAS, the Storm water Management and Erosion and Sediment Control Law of the Town of Waterford calls for the appointment of a Storm water Management Officer

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby appoints the Dominic Gabriel as the Town Storm water Management Officer.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 10 OF THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF WATERFORD FOR THE YEAR 2016
CALLING FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED
DEFENSE AND INDEMNITY LOCAL LAW**

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires to pass a local law providing for the defense and indemnity of Town officers, employees and the other persons providing service to the Town;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby calls for a public hearing to be held on March 1, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall, 65 Broad Street, Waterford, New York, at which time the public may comment on the text of said law as annexed hereto.

Offered by Councilman Boudreau
Seconded by Councilman Ball

Councilman Ball yes
Councilman Boudreau yes
Councilman Marble yes
Councilman McClement yes
Supervisor Lawler yes

RESOLUTION # 11

RESOLVED, that David Bullet be and he is hereby authorized to attend Wastewater Operations School with a fee of \$3775.00.

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

RESOLUTION # 12

RESOLVED, that Caleb Bentley of Waterford be and he is hereby hired as a part time dispatcher for the Town of Waterford Police Department at a salary of \$14.5213 per hour to be paid in bi-weekly installments by the Supervisor without the necessity of pre-audit by the Town Board.

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

RESOLUTION # 13

RESOLVED, that Phyllis Roberts is hereby appointed as part time assistant court clerk at a salary of \$13.12 per hour, to be paid in bi-weekly installments by the Supervisor without the necessity of pre-audit by the Town Board.

Offered by Councilman Boudreau
Seconded by Councilman McClement
Councilman Ball yes
Councilman Boudreau yes

Councilman Marble yes
Councilman McClement yes
Supervisor Lawler yes

RESOLUTION # 14

RESOLVED, that Greg Knorr be and he is hereby authorized to attend training at the Northern Adirondack Code Enforcement Officials Education Conference in Lake Placid from February 29-March 3, 2016.

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

OTHER BUSINESS

Supervisor Lawler reminded the Board of the retirement party for Reverend Sherry Peasley and the annual meeting at the Waterford Museum on February 6 at 11 A.M. He further stated that Moody's has rated us an A1 Superior rating which enables us to borrow and bond money at a lower rate. We recently signed paperwork that will save us a half million dollars over twenty years due to such a rating. He thanked the Budget Officer, William Coutu for all his hard work.

Valerie Bullet of Mohawk Avenue asked if we were aware of the situation on Champlain Street with the dilapidated home. She stated this needs immediate attention. Supervisor Lawler replied that we are aware of it and the Building Inspector will be taking action shortly to begin to rectify this situation.

Mrs. Bullet also asked about making the road a dead end and no parking zone due to the same individual parking unregistered vehicles on the street blocking fire equipment, the mailman and plows from getting to the other houses. The Supervisor promised to look into it right away.

Mrs. Bullet then asked about the fire hydrant that had been removed on Champlain and Mohawk. The Supervisor instructed Town Engineer Dom Gabriel to check on it with the Water Department and get back to Mrs. Bullet.

A Motion to adjourn was made at 8:07 P.M. by Councilman Boudreau and seconded by Councilman McClement. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene A. Dziarcak
Town Clerk