

**TOWN BOARD MEETING FOR WATERFORD**  
**415 N. MILWAUKEE ST.**  
**APPROVED/OFFICIAL MINUTES FOR MARCH 13, 2023**

1. Via speakerphone, Town Board meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Chairman Hincz. Present: Supervisors Gauerke, Szeklinski, Schwartz, Nicolai, Attorney Dubis, Police Chief Johnson, Lieutenant John Nelson, DPW Director, Ken Hinz, TVFC Captain, Mike Borchardt, WWMD Commissioner Bill McCormick, and residents of the Town.
2. Chairman Hincz led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Printed Minutes: **Supervisor Nicolai motioned to approve the Town Board meeting minutes dated February 13, 2023, as presented, seconded by Supervisor Schwartz. Vote taken: 5-0. Motion carried.**
4. Treasurer Report/Payment of Claims- Supervisor Szeklinski read the Treasurer's report. **Supervisor Schwartz motioned to approve the Treasurer's report and pay the claims, seconded by Supervisor Nicolai. Vote taken: 5-0. Motion carried.**
5. Correspondence: Mike Schoenfeld, High School Board President, gave presentation on the HS referendum and offered to answer questions.
6. Committee Reports:
  - a) Police Dept. Report- Chief Johnson reported that officers were assigned to 198 actual calls, 167 crime preventions and 59 building checks. Chief reported that there were 96 traffic citations, 37 warnings, 2 misdemeanors, 12 ordinance violations, 5 OWI's, 1 warrant arrest, 10 accident reports and 1 domestic abuse.
  - b) Tichigan Vol. Fire Co-Captain Mike Borchardt reported 29 calls for February; 20 EMS, 15 Transports. Borchardt reported that for the 2/22/23 ice storm, TVFC stayed in quarters vs being on standby at a different location. Borchardt reported that Chief Miller met with Chiefs Hafemann and Bierman regarding staffing levels and staff sharing and that they entered into a program with the three departments and agreed to split the cost 3 ways.
  - c) Waterford Fire & Rescue- Waterford was unable to be present but provided the Board with their report. Supervisor Gauerke read the report indicating the total of 5 calls for the month of February.
  - d) WWMD- Bill McCormick reported that they had applied for a ProcellaCOR treatment grant through the DNR to help offset the costs to treat Lake Tichigan. The grant was not received, so they may not do Tichigan Lake this year. McCormick indicated that they were also applying for additional grants for the harvester. McCormick reported that they are getting the herbicide permits in line and that they are actively working on the dredging project and evaluating bids that they had received. Chairman Hincz asked how they were doing with manpower. McCormick indicated that they were looking into a paid, part-time position and that otherwise they are 100% volunteer. McCormick stated that once the dredging project is approved, they will need a full-time project manager, but that will be built into the bid.
  - e) Park Dept.- Ken Hinz reported that they will be doing the water testing and that they will turn the water on and open the bathrooms asap, depending on the temperature.
  - f) Road Dept.- Ken Hinz reported 23 snow events for the season. Hinz indicating the install for the backup generator will be May 11<sup>th</sup>. Hinz reported a lot of truck issues as well as the salt shed walls/timbers are having cracking issues. Hinz indicated that he is looking into getting a quote to

replace or repair the cracked timbers. Hinz will have the engineer compile a list of roads with budgetary numbers so the Board can come up with a plan and have road bids go out in May.

- Discussion & possible action re: Road Bond Requirements-Supervisor Gauerke suggested adding wording pertaining to adding/removing fill material. **Supervisor Gauerke motioned to approve, after working with the Clerk and adding the wording for fill material, seconded by Supervisor Schwartz. Vote taken: 5-0. Motion carried.**
  - Discussion & possible action re: Wis DOT FFY24 Surface Transportation Program-Local Program Application- Hinz indicated the total cost was \$1.2 - \$1.3 million, 80/20 grant for Townline Rd.-**Supervisor Gauerke motioned to begin the process and have Hinz continue to coordinate with the Town of Norway and keep the Town Board informed of the costs, seconded by Supervisor Nicolai. Vote taken: 5-0. Motion carried.** Hinz indicated the Buena Park project would be \$1.5 million, \$750,000 would be the Town portion and \$250,000 would be the Village portion. Village of Waterford had not been approached regarding their portion. Discussion took place on the 3/31/23 deadline to apply, the Village not being contacted yet and for the lack of funds. **Supervisor Szeklinski motioned to not apply for the Buena Park project, seconded by Supervisor Gauerke. Vote taken: 5-0. Motion carried.**
  - Discussion & possible action re: Status of new truck- F-600 chassis has already been ordered and total cost is \$57,858. \$100,000 of ARPA funds have been earmarked for the chassis and equipment. **Supervisor Gauerke motioned to approve the bid for equipment from Best Truck Repair, in the amount of \$39,010, seconded by Supervisor Nicolai. Vote taken: 4-1 (Supervisor Szeklinski opposed). Motion carried.**
  - Supervisor Gauerke read several thank you's to the DPW for their great job of plowing and cleaning the icy roads.
- g) Board of Health- Supervisor Nicolai announced the 211-hotline service for mental/family crisis. Covid booster shots still available at the health department.
- h) Town Planning Recommendations-
- Town Level Variance-Reindl and Blake, 33300 & 33301 Cayuga Way- **Supervisor Gauerke motioned to accept planning commission's recommendation for denial, seconded by Supervisor Nicolai. Vote taken: 5-0 Motion carried.**

#### 7. Old Business:

- a) Discussion & possible action re: RFP for Audio/Visual for the Town Hall- **Supervisor Szeklinski motioned to accept the RFP and send out, seconded by Supervisor Schwartz. Vote taken: 5-0. Motion carried.**

#### 8. New Business:

- a) Request for alcohol use at Town Park-Rench/Michalik-**Supervisor Szeklinski motioned to approve contingent upon the applicants being responsible for the additional costs for garbage and port o potty's. Applicants are to move the tables and return them back to where they found them. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Gauerke. Vote taken: 5-0. Motion carried.**

Forthcoming Events- Tichigan Lions Easter Egg Hunt April 1, 2023.

**Supervisor Schwartz motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 pm, seconded by Supervisor Gauerke. Vote taken: 5-0. Motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Stratton, Deputy Clerk

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