

Waterloo Township Board Approved Meeting Minutes

27 September 2022 7:00 P.M.

9773 Mt. Hope Road

Munith, MI 49259

Call to Order and Pledge: 7:00 p.m.

Present: Lance, McAlister, Kitley, Walz, Beck. Also present: 14 residents.

Public Comment: None.

Consent Agenda: Kitley motioned with support from Walz to accept the consent agenda as presented. Aye/all; no/none. Motion carried. Kitley motioned with support from McAlister to pay Post Audit bills in the amount of \$3,052.11. Roll call vote: Yes/Walz, Kitley, Lance, Beck, McAlister. No/none. Motion carried.

Special Presentation: Sheriff Schutte gave an explanation regarding the millage request on the November ballot. In addition to the ½ mill that we have been paying for the last 20 years, it's an additional ½ mill for 20 years to build a new jail facility on Chanter Road. We have brochures explaining the need for the new facility available here at the Township for anyone who would like more information. His talk was very informational regarding this request.

Correspondence: Lance read an email from Jim Cole, Project Manager at Jackson County Department of Transportation regarding the cost of having Reithmiller Road resurfaced. Because it is a secondary road, Waterloo Township is responsible for 70% of the cost and the county for 30%. The estimated cost to the township would be \$217,077.25. The Board has tabled further discussion until the October 25th meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Parks & Recreation: Walz spoke of the park in Munith being cleaned up and new posts installed. The tires were pulled out and put in the tire collection trailer on trash collection day September 17th. The park is looking very nice. The Halloween Parade plans for October 29th at 1:00 p.m. in Munith are going very well and we are looking for a couple of people to be costume and float judges. People are encouraged to enter a float in the parade and bring their children. The rain garden by the walking path on the Township grounds is looking really good. The new website is up and running. No current updates on the County Parks.

Planning Commission: Beck stated that the Planning Commission again worked on the mapping changes. They also worked on proposed changes to Zoning Ordinance Table 9-4, with discussion on changes.

- Lance spoke of the vacancy on the Board of Review. He commended John Sweet for his many years of service on this Board. He appointed Randy Heatley to fill the vacated position.
- Walz presented a check from ARPA funds to the Waterloo Farm Museum representatives. Arlene and Ron Kaiser accepted the check on behalf of the Museum. It was to help with monies lost during covid. Walz next presented a check from ARPA funds to John Beck, Manager of SAESA, for the purpose of helping to bring one of the ambulances up to current regulations.

- Lance motioned with support from McAlister to approve the Land Division for Susan & Velton Stephens, Jr and Tara Bates resulting in old Parent parcel # 000-05-19-326-001-05 into new Parent Parcel # 000-05-19-326-001-07 and new Split Parcel # 000-05-19-326-0041-08. Aye: all/no/none. Motion carried.

Other Business That Comes Before the Board: Walz spoke of money that would currently be available for roads in our fund balance. There is a total of \$250,000 available between the money from the Ag Industries gravel pit and the Metro Act money program for right-of way roadways. She said there is a financial investment company call Michigan Class that currently has an interest rate of 2.8%. She would like to invest that money in that company and keep building interest toward more road work. They currently serve many other townships and other entities. A resolution would be need to adopt this company as one of our financial institutions. It is being tabled for further discussion at the October 25th meeting.

Public Comment: Lance spoke of the success of the trash collection day. He thanked Denny and Rusty Walz for their help with the beginning of the tire collection and to Denny Walz for leaving his tractor at the Township for him to use loading the larger items into the bins. He also thanked all of the others who were there helping with the collection. Denny came in and loaded the 3rd bin that came Tuesday with an excess of trash that wouldn't fit in the two bins. It will take place again next year in September. It's a great way to clean up before winter. Beck spoke of a new ordinance that our lawyer is looking at for noxious weeds and grasses. He is also looking at putting together an ordinance to prohibit alcohol and drugs on Township properties.

Adjournment: Walz motioned with support from McAlister to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Aye/all; no/none. Motion carried.

The next Planning Commission meeting will be Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. The next regular board meeting will be on October 25, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Minutes will be published in the Stockbridge Community News at the end of each month, on our website waterlootwpmi.com and on our Facebook page at: [waterlootownshipmichigan](https://www.facebook.com/waterlootownshipmichigan).

Submitted by: Janice Kitley, Clerk