

## Waterloo Township Board Meeting Minutes

24 January 2023 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: Rohn Tripp, Building/Zoning Inspector and 7 residents.

**Public Comment:** Sharon asked to be able to offer a prayer. Leaders from the Stockbridge Area Senior Center, located at 219 W. Elm Street in Stockbridge gave a presentation regarding the center. They are experiencing a large amount of interest and are now at 83 members. They offer many meals, games, crafts, exercises, etc. Senior citizens are enjoying all that is offered and they wanted to make sure Munith area residents were aware of this service that is available to all areas.

**Consent Agenda:** Kitley motioned with support from McAlister to accept the consent agenda as presented. Aye/all; no/none. Motion carried. Deputy Moore's report for December was as follows: Deputy Moore and deputies assigned to Waterloo Township worked 167 hours and patrolled 1,960 miles. Deputies responded to 20 calls for service. Deputies conducted 2 traffic stops and issued 1 citation. The Sheriff's Office responded to 6 calls for service. The Michigan State Police responded to 23 calls for service.

**Correspondence:** Jackson County Parks sent notice that new fence is ready for installation at Clear Lake County Park.

**Sheriff Schutte:** Gave an update on the failed millage and updates to the current jail. Also spoke of replacement for Jim Moore, our current deputy, when he retires in May. He was explaining the cost of the new facility for the future.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

**Parks & Recreation:** They are ready to submit Parks and Recreation Plan for grants. Looking to put in some new equipment in at Munith Park. They are planning an Artisan Market June 24<sup>th</sup> in cooperation with the dates at the Waterloo Farm Museum. Christmas decorations are down now and getting prepared to store them. Quote is around \$14,000 to get good power to poles. Our portion is approximately \$11,000 for our side according to Lance. Still waiting to get quote for Waterloo Village for electric update on poles.

**Planning Commission:** Planning Commission report was given by Beck. The laptop has been received and they are working on the mapping program. They discussed zoning mapping criteria and reviewed and changed proposed parcel zoning in sections 1,2 and 3. They will revisit several parcels in section 3 at the next meeting.

- Lance motioned with support from Walz to accept the insurance proposal for February 1, 2023 to January 31, 2024 in the amount of \$11,180. Roll call vote: Yes/Kitley, Lance, Beck, McAlister, Walz; no/none. Motion carried.

- Lance motioned with support from Beck to purchase a new drop vault for ballots and taxes at the cost of \$999 along with installation cost not to exceed \$1,000. Roll call vote: Yes/Lance, Beck, McAlister, Walz, Kitley; no/none. Motion carried.
- Kitley gave a report on our audit for the year. It turned out very well. Copies are available at the Township Office.
- Lance motioned with support from Beck to set a budget of \$300,000 to begin work on sections of the worst secondary roads using chip seal, etc. Roll call vote: Yes/Beck, McAlister, Walz, Kitley, Lance; no/none. Motion carried. Kitley will let J. Cole know of our commitment.
- **Other Business That Comes Before the Board:** Missy Hess will develop Mileage reimbursement sheets to allow for re-payment for bank trips, etc. Lance motioned with support from Walz to work from Matt Kutchel's forms to develop our own forms for reimbursement. Aye/all; no/none. Motion carried.
- It was decided to have one of our lawyers, Kyle O'Meara go over our Anti-Blight Ordinance which is badly out of date. Ask him to go over it thoroughly.

**Public Comment:** Catherine Upton had questions about clarification of misdemeanor and civil infractions which were explained by Beck. Houck had questions regarding the new drop box which were answered by Kitley and Lance. Upton thanked Wendy Walz for her work on the Clear Lake County Park fencing as well as type of fencing and height. She also questioned our cost of the fencing.

**Adjournment:** Walz motioned with support from McAlister to adjourn at 8:04 p.m. Aye/all; no/none.

**The next Planning Commission meeting will be Tuesday, February 21st, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. The next regular board meeting will be on February 28, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Minutes will be published in the Stockbridge Community News at the end of each month, on our website [waterlootwpmi.gov](http://waterlootwpmi.gov) and on our Facebook page at: [waterlootownshipmichigan](http://waterlootownshipmichigan).**

Submitted by: Janice Kitley, Clerk