

Waterloo Township Board Meeting Minutes

25 July 2023 7:00 P.M.

9773 Mt. Hope Road

Munith, MI 49259

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

Present: Lance, Walz, Kitley, McAlister, Beck. Also present: 10 residents, Deputy Desnoyer, 3 residents from Ingham County, Stockbridge.

Public Comment: Nancy Smith, from our State Representative Sue Schenk's office in Lansing introduced herself. She said we were welcome to call the office to share issues and that we would be getting more visits. Margie Walz, our new representative on the Jackson County Commissioners Board gave a Jackson County Fair update and also that the old Rollertorium Building located on the fairground property in Jackson is getting a total makeover funded by American One Credit Union. Kristina Griffith from Stockbridge spoke of her father who lives in our Township being very upset over people coming to his door asking about window air units and other household questions. He is 97 years old and doesn't hear well. It was suggested that when the assessor's group is going out to assess properties that they have a business card to give residents. Bill Richardson stated that Aggregate Resources has sold all of their gravel and that they have the pit floor done.

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 Walz to pay the Post Audit checks is the amount of \$7,806.35. Roll call vote: Yes/Lance, Beck, McAlister, Walz, Kitley. No/none. Motion carried.

Building and Zoning: 12 permits were issued and there was a total of 17 inspections done.

SAESA: Most of the meeting consisted of going over the State inspection documents and approved them for another year. There will be no carnival in Stockbridge this year.

Police Report: Deputy Desnoyer's report for June was as follows: Deputies put in 165 hours, drove 2367miles, answered 43 calls for service, made 15 stops and issued 5 citations. Sheriff's office responded to 21 calls and Michigan State Police took 10 calls.

Correspondence: Lance read an email from Kimberly Hall regarding trash being dumped everywhere along the roads and no way to stop it and no trash service to collect it. Lance is going to check into some options.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Parks & Recreation: Walz said July meeting discussed the Artisan Market event and are reading the surveys to see how they can improve it next year. August meeting third Tuesday of month at 9:30. They will be working on the Halloween Parade which will take place on Saturday, October 28, 2023 at 1:00. They are trying to find a company to patch the cracks in the fireplace. New equipment will be put in place of the merry-go-round that was removed for safety purposes.

Planning Commission: They discussed the zoning change requested by Mark Zweifler stating that there will be a public hearing on August 15, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. They elected officers which will be the same as last year. They spent time discussing Article 15 Signs. They reviewed Table 9-4 and Article 18. Removed Section 18.05 due to now covered by Township Noise Ordinance.

Action Items:

- Kitley motioned with support from Beck to prepay for 1,000 gallons of propane at a cost of \$1.979 per gallon for the coming heat season. Roll call vote: Yes/Beck, McAlister, Walz, Kitley, Lance. No/none. Motion carried.
- Kitley motioned with support from Walz to increase committee members to \$100 per diem, support staff \$1.00 an hour including Cynthia Richardson for the extra time put in typing for the Planning Commission and \$1.00 an hour for Zoning Enforcement and Building Officer. Roll call vote: Yes/McAlister, Walz, Kitley, Lance. Abstain: Beck. No/none. Motion carried.
- Lance motioned with support from McAlister to approve the land combination for Jeffrey Hanselman combining parcels 000-10-01-126-004-02 and 000-10-01-126-004-01 with the condition that filing will not be done until the final parcel ID is provided by our Assessor, Heidi Roenicke. New parcel number was provided and is 000-10-01-126-004-03.

Any Other Business That Comes to the Board: Regarding the letter about the trash being dumped alongside our roads, Walz suggested that we put trail cams up in strategic areas to identify those doing the dumping. Beck will look into the cost of some. ORV ordinance will be given to the Planning Commission. Also discussed was the lack of notice for bike events through our Township. Lance will call our lawyer to ask about the bike events and do we have any authority. Bill Richardson had let us know about 1 of the events. Walz asked about the Green Road reopening. Consumer Energy has not been scheduled yet. The previous work was scheduled and then a storm happened and they had to deal with that issue. Gary Green is getting ready to break ground at the Township for the pole structure and will house fire vehicles giving us quicker response. Richardson said that Green Road will hopefully be open by the end of July.

Public Comment: Sharon Houck spoke of fines for dumping trash alongside roads if identified. Randy Heatley spoke of getting push texts regarding the bike events. It will be looked into regarding costs, etc.

Adjournment: Walz motioned with support from McAlister to adjourn at 7:48 p.m. Aye/all; no/none. Motion carried.

The next Planning Commission meeting will be Tuesday, August 15, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. The next regular board meeting will be on August 22, 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, on our Facebook page at: [waterlootownshipmichigan](https://www.facebook.com/waterlootownshipmichigan), and The Grass Lake Exponent.

Submitted by: Janice Kitley, Clerk