

**Waterloo Township Board Meeting**

**Minutes**

**27 July 2021 7:00 P.M.**

**9773 Mt. Hope Road**

**Munith, MI 49259**

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

**Present:** Lance, Morency (entered at 7:10 p.m), Walz, McAlister, Kitley, and 13 residents. Also attending: Our Jackson County Sheriff Deputy Jim Moore.

**Public Comment:** Richardson asked if the Township had applied for the American Rescue Plan Act money. It was stated that Wendy had finished it and Lance had signed it.

**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 the bills as listed on the Post Audit report in the amount of \$7,358.23. Roll call vote: Yes/ Kitley, Lance, McAlister, Walz. No/none. Absent: Morency. Motion carried. There was a police report for July given by Deputy Moore. Deputies assigned to Waterloo Township responded to 36 complaints, issued 8 citations, 2 misdemeanor appearance citations, 28 traffic stops. The Sheriff's office responded to a total of 27 incidents. Michigan State Police responded to 20 calls for service.

**Correspondence:** Letter opposing Marijuana growth in Waterloo Township from Craig Goodlock was read by Lance.

**Old Business:** Kitley motioned with support from Morency to approve R-2021-07-27—R-2021-03-23-2 revised to include correct dates and a roll call vote to include on the November 2, 2021 ballot for Waterloo Township. Roll call vote: Yes: Lance, Morency, McAlister, Walz, Kitley. No/none. Motion carried.

**New Business:** Walz spoke of the Parks & Recreations meeting when members painted the grills and are touching up other areas in need. Monarch way station is being planned as well as the rain garden. Both are very close. A new sign will be added to Munith Park stating that it is now managed by Waterloo Township. There are other items needing updating in the Munith Park. She also said flags will be put up in Waterloo Village. Morency spoke of Planning Commission discussion with Glenn Seeds request to request for zoning change to C2 to 1-1. The decision has been tabled until they can find out if zoning change from 2013 can still be upheld on this property. Maps need to be updated and signed. They are working to complete the Short-term Rental requests ordinance and forms. They are requesting the May 2019 update be put on website for solar farms ordinance. The road millage issue was discussed. The presentation at the special meeting was lengthy. It may be tabled until a less costly way can be achieved without extremely high taxation to people who own large parcels of land as opposed to people who only own one small parcel. Jim O'Brien from the DNR spoke of properties totaling approximately 90 acres that the DNR has been approached to purchase. The property owners are the ones who have been contacting the DNR regarding purchasing. They have not yet gotten the grant. He will be at the next meeting to further discuss these purchases. Lance motioned with support from Kitley to reappoint Wesley Schulz to Planning Commission for another 2-year term. Yes/all; no/none. Motion carried.

**Other Business That Comes Before the Board:** Kitley motioned with support from Walz to give salary increases of \$1.00/hour to each giving Missy Hess \$13/hour, Chris Harrison, \$13/hour and Mary Gibbons \$14/hour. Roll call vote: Yes/Morency, McAlister, Walz, Kitley, Lance; no/none. Motion carried. Kitley reminded residents of the September 11 Township Cleanup at the Town Hall from 11:00 to 4:00 p.m. Collection items allowed will be posted on the website and Facebook page. It will also be posted at Munith Bank, Post Office and other areas. We will need volunteer. Please call 517-596-8400 or email [clerk@waterlootwpmi.com](mailto:clerk@waterlootwpmi.com) if you would like to volunteer some time that day.

**Public Comment:** Schumacher asked if there was a plan B if the public safety millage did not pass. Lance said we were looking at other possible options for a year if this should happen. Currently the Sheriff's office wants a 5-year contract. It will be looked into by Deputy Moore to see if they would consider another 1-year contract.

**Adjournment:** Walz motioned with support from McAlister to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

**The next Planning Commission meeting will be Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. The next regular board meeting will be on August 24, 2021 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](http://waterlootwpmi.com) and on our Facebook page at: [waterlootownshipmichigan](https://www.facebook.com/waterlootownshipmichigan).**

Submitted by: Janice Kitley, Clerk