

June 26, 2012

**VILLAGE OF WATERLOO  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
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The Board of Trustees of the Village of Waterloo met for a Regular Meeting on June 26, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Office, 509 S. Front Street.

**PRESENT:** Stanley E. Benke, Jr., Chairman  
Garry Lee, Vice-Chairman  
Tom Harrie, Trustee  
Bill Rotert, Trustee  
Jeff Barnes, Trustee

**ALSO PRESENT:** Melissa Johnson, Clerk's Assistant  
Ken Bunger, Attorney

**OPEN MEETING**

Chairman Benke called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and stated the location of the Open Meetings Act. Notice of the meeting was duly exercised and mailed per the bylaws.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Don Shelton, a resident on Ave A and Lincoln Ave, asked the Board what type of grass was used on the new levee. Shelton stated that the grass is growing in sparsely and looks bad. The Board stated that the grass used was specified by the US Corps of Engineers and should have included two types of grass, a quick growing and a slower, more full that will fill in bare areas in the next couple of years. Benke stated the Corps just did an inspection and didn't have any complaints about the grass but the Village will check with JEO to make sure everything is ok.

Shelton also had concerns about a lighted sign a firework stand places on the southeast corner of Third and Lincoln Streets. He said last year the sign placement obstructed the view of Third Street and was dangerous. Police Chief Donahue stated that he would talk to the firework stand operator to make sure the sign wasn't placed where it would block the view of traffic.

**MOTIONS TO APPROVE**

Minutes from the Regular Meeting on June 12, 2012 were approved with the following corrections:

- Page 4: 5¢ was changed to ½¢

**DISCUSSION/CONSIDERTION/ACTION**

Grant Pedersen with First State Bank and Doug Kellner with Thompson, Dreessen and Dorner, engineer for First State Bank, provided the Board with their proposals to correct the retention pond issues in Homes at River Road. Their proposal consisted of excavating

the high areas of the retention area along Blondo Street and using the excavated materials to fill in the low areas. This would result in more areas that will have water after a large water event but the water will be more shallow allowing for faster evaporation. Kellner suggested allowing wetland vegetation to grow to help naturally clean the standing water that is present when the water table is high. Several Board members questioned why it is not possible to just bring fill in to fill the ponding area. Kellner stated that would result in a storage problem and neighboring basements could begin to flood in a larger storm event. Benke would like input from affected property owners. Kellner will meet with Kevin Kruse from JEO to develop a plan and present it at a future meeting.

Benke presented a press release that written up by himself and Kevin Kruse of JEO. The press release was in response a letter the Village and JEO received from FEMA. The letter stated that FEMA has accepted the Levee Project and the Waterloo Levee is now accredited.

Benke introduced, read and moved for approval of Resolution No. 06-26-12-01, a resolution to approve bid for 3<sup>rd</sup> St Water main project. Trustee Harrie seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Benke, Barnes, Rotert, Harrie, Lee. Voting NO: none, motion carried. A true, complete and correct copy of said resolution is on file at the Village Office.

Motion by Benke, second by Barnes to table Resolution No. 06-26-12-03 until the next meeting when Jeff Jorgensen with Inspro Insurance can answer the Board's questions. All in favor, motion carried.

Benke introduced, read and moved for approval of Resolution No. 06-26-12-05, a resolution to recognize Linda Oyster. Trustee Harrie seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Benke, Harrie, Rotert, Lee, Barnes. Voting NO: none, motion carried. A true, complete and correct copy of said resolution is on file at the Village Office.

Clerk's Assistant Johnson asked the board's ideas for the Safe Route to School funding. She wanted to clarify the Board's expectations before working on the funding request.

Johnson informed the Board of the complaints relating to 209 Jefferson. She stated the house was just sold and the office is in the process of contacting the new owners to find out their plans. The office will keep them updated on the status of the complaints.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence to review

**CHAIRMAN'S TOPICS**

Benke asked Johnson to update and distribute the Village phone list.

**TRUSTEE TOPICS**

Rotert reported that the storm sewers on Madison St were cleaned out last week. Maintenance had to bring Utilities Service Group to come in and jet the line.

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Motion by Benke, second by Rotert to go into Executive Session at 8:38 pm to discuss personnel issues and potential litigation. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Benke, Barnes, Rotert, Harrie, Lee. Voting NO: none, motion carried. Chairman Benke restated that they were going into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues and potential litigation. Motion by Benke, second by Harrie to go out of Executive Session at 9:12pm. All in favor, motion carried.

Barnes introduced, read and moved for approval of Resolution No. 06-26-12-04, a resolution to hire KC Bang as a part-time police officer. Trustee Harrie seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Rotert, Harrie, Lee, Barnes, Benke. Voting NO: none. Motion carried. A true, complete and correct copy of said resolution is on file at the Village Office.

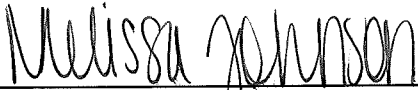
Diane Marquis from The Depot approached the board about approving a Special Designated Liquor License for July 21; the same day The Dog House is hosting the Day of the Hog, a fundraiser for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Marquis was not included on the agenda but couldn't wait until the July 10 meeting. Benke stated the Board would review her application and let her know if they would be able to schedule a special meeting for the approval.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25pm. The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.



Chairperson pro tempore



Melissa Johnson, Clerk's Assistant