

WANATAH TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES  
February 2nd, 2023  
6:30 pm

PRESENT: Councilman Newburn, Councilman Cook, Councilman LaFoone, Clerk/Treasurer Ebert & Attorney Shoffner.

ABSENT: Councilman Oehmen, Councilman Mayo

GUESTS: Chuck Jonas, Justin Higgeson, Dwayne Tate & Chuck Mack.

Call To Order:

President Newburn called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.  
The Pledge of Allegiance was held.

Roll Call:

Councilman Newburn-Here, Councilman Oehmen-Absent, Councilman Cook-Here, Councilman Mayo-Absent, Councilman LaFoone-Here. A quorum is present.

Appointments Needed

- None

Correspondence

- None

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Councilman LaFoone; Second by Councilman Cook to approve the minutes of January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Regular Meeting. Vote was taken. All Ayes. Minutes were approved as presented.

Officer's Reports

- Plan Commission – No Report
- BZA – No Report
- Traffic Commission – No Report
- Park Board – They met and will be reviewing the estimate for the bridge.
- Animal Control – No Report.
- Building Commissioner - Clerk Treasurer Ebert reported 6 Contractor Registrations totaling \$450.00.

Clerk's Office Reports

- Personnel Committee – No report
- Facilities Coordinator – no report
- NIRPC – Clerk Treasurer Ebert reported that she attended a Full Commission meeting held on 1.19.23.
- Other –. No report

Public Works

- Public Superintendent Chuck Mack presented to the Council a few of his departments summer projects.
  - Storm Drain project-On Ohio Street from 2<sup>nd</sup> Street across 1<sup>st</sup> street and tie into the drains of Eckert ditch. (Provided Maps from Beacon Schneider on area in question).

- Estimated amount for materials (Pipes, structures, frames & Grates) on both projects alone would be \$17,544.00. .Would like to buy the pipes now due to inflation prices on gasoline.
- Repave Ohio Street, Minor driveway repairs on Chuck Morrison's houses and 1<sup>st</sup> Street repaired where they have to do the cutting. .Would like to get these projects done before the paving.
- The second project is to create a Secondary structure Outlet from Illinois Street (south of the old maintenance building) to Slowcum, that would hopefully eliminate some flooding from downtown.
  - Motion by Councilman LaFoone, second by Councilman Cook to give Chuck Mack a "Not to Exceed: \$30,000 for these two projects.
- The third project is to get maintenance on the sewer man holes. Determined that there are five structures that need to be coated. Would like to get them sprayed, cleaned and get them coated. Chuck Mack get will a quote for this job.
- The Vactor was repaired at no charge, everything was covered under the warranty with Brown Equipment. Would also like to purchase some accessory tubes for the Vactor. One set being for the sanitary sewer and the other for dirt.
- Peerless Midwest met with Chuck Mack and Jeff Crandall on getting the wells tested. Chuck would like to do the annual maintenance this Spring. The annual maintenance to core the filter would be anywhere from 1200-1500. Need to get the motor also looked at, 2003 since last testing. Will give counsel a quote.
- Chuck Mack gave a report on the Water & Wastewater loss and overages.
  - Water = +18,136
  - Wastewater = (21,677.00) Direct result is that we bought the Vactor, \$15,000 on the Main Lift Station and 2 new pumps. Also reported on previous year's results.
- Commonwealth-sent the Public Works department an invite to take a tour of a sequential SBR treatment plant in Steuben Lakes, Ashley and Hamilton on February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
  - Discussion was held with Councilman Cook on the plans for a future wastewater tank.
  - The Town Council gave permission for 3 of them to go.
- Councilman Cook inquired about why the Red and Yellow Vactor was still here? Chuck Mack assured him that they would be gone by next week.

#### New Business

- Goetz Landscaping- Motion by Councilman LaFoone and Second by Councilman Cook to prepay for the year in exchange for a 3% discount or \$19.50.
- Motion by Councilman LaFoone, Second by Lawrence Cook to Award Rieth-Riley for the 2023 Resurfacing project. Attorney Shoffner approved of all the paperwork that was sent in by Rieth-Riley and said to move forward. President Newburn instructed Clerk Treasurer Ebert to notify both bid companies on the outcome.
- Mediacom-Asking permission for a Boring project to install coax cable for telecommunications along S. Illinois and 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Attorney Shoffner does not recommend that we accept their application due to some inconsistencies. Clerk Treasurer Ebert was instructed to contact them giving them his name, email, and phone number so he could let them know of his findings.

#### Unfinished Business

- None

#### Financial Report and Claims Approval

Motion by Councilman LaFoone; Second by Cook to approve the claims as presented.  
Vote was taken. All Ayes.

Any Other Business to come before the Council

- Council President Newburn reported that Propell 30 contacted him about having a meeting in the cafeteria. Haven't heard back yet.

Public Comment

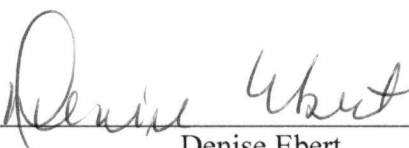
- None

Adjournment

President Newburn asked for a motion to adjourn.  
Motion by Councilman LaFoone; Second by Councilman Cook. A vote was taken.  
All Ayes.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:16 pm

ATTEST:



Denise Ebert  
Clerk-Treasurer

