

**CITY OF WATERLOO COMMON COUNCIL -- MEETING MINUTES: December 16, 2021**

[a digital recording of this meeting also serves as the official record]

1. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & ROLL CALL. Mayor Quimby called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Alderpersons present: Cummings; Kuhl, Griffin, Thomas, Weihert and Petts. Absent: Rhynes. Others attending remotely or in-person: Dave Weber; Pat Weber; Mark Herbst; Ryan Spoehr with the Courier; Library Director Kelli Mountford; Fire Chief Wes Benisch; Park Coordinator Gabe Haberkorn; Public Works Director Chad Yerges; Utility Superintendent Barry Sorenson; Police Chief Denis Sorenson; WLOO videographers; and Clerk/Treasurer Hansen. The pledge of allegiance was recited.
2. MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL: December 2, 2021. MOTION: [Cummings/Petts] to approve the minutes as presented. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
3. CITIZEN INPUT / PUBLIC COMMENT. Pat Weber spoke of recurring electrical power outages at her home and neighboring properties. Barry Sorenson acknowledged the problem saying two storms had downed trees nearby. He encouraged Pat Weber to share her information with elected officials. Sorenson said Waterloo may trim trees but not remove them. He said burying electric service was a costly expense. The Mayor encouraged Weber to call Sorenson.
4. NOTIFICATION OF DENIAL OF CITIZEN REQUEST OF AGENDA ITEM PER §30-4(L) MUNICIPAL CODE. Noted.
5. MEETING SUMMARIES. Noted.
  - a. 12-07 Water & Light Commission
  - b. 12-16 Finance, Insurance & Personnel Committee
6. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS. MOTION: [Kuhl/Griffin] to approve consent agenda items. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
  - a. November Reports Of City Officials & Contract Service Providers
    - i. Parks
    - ii. Fire & Emergency Medical Services
    - iii. Building Inspections
    - iv. Public Works
    - v. Police
    - vi. Library Board
    - vii. Water & Light Utility Commission
    - viii. Watertown Human Society
7. RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS
  - a. Finance, Insurance & Personnel Committee
    - i. 2022 Insurance Renewals - League Of Municipalities Mutual Insurance Company, Invited Paul Lessila With R & R Insurance. MOTION: [Kuhl/Thomas] to approve the 2022 insurance renewals as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Cummings, Kuhl, Griffin, Thomas, Weihert and Petts. Noes: none with Rhynes absent. Motion carried.
    - ii. Authorizing An Expenditure Not To Exceed \$108,000 In Watertown Area Community Foundation Funding And Park Board Trustees Funding For Playground Equipment At Multiple Park Locations. MOTION: [Weihert/Petts] to authorize the expenditure as stated. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Cummings, Kuhl, Griffin, Thomas, Weihert and Petts. Noes: none with Rhynes absent. Motion carried.
    - iii. Resolution #2021-49 Amending The 2021 Budget – Amendment #2. MOTION: [Thomas/Cummings] to approve the resolution as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Cummings, Kuhl, Griffin, Thomas, Weihert and Petts. Noes: none with Rhynes absent. Motion carried.
8. NEW BUSINESS
  - a. Property Owner Request For Public Sidewalk Closure During Winter Months, 970 Industrial Lane. DISCUSSION: The Public Works Director recommended denial. MOTION: [Thomas/Kuhl] to deny the request. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Resolution #2021-35 Updating the City Of Waterloo Fee Schedule – scheduled for January 6<sup>th</sup>.
- b. Benisch announced a Santa at the Station event and said new radios were expected soon.
- c. Haberkorn announced a winter formal event at Firemen's Park.

10. ADJOURNMENT. MOTION: [Kuhl/Petts] to adjourn. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried. Time: 7:35 p.m.



Attest:

Mo Hansen, Clerk/Treasurer