

Special Council

October 23

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The Special Meeting of the Waterville Council was called to order by Mayor Lori Brodie at 6:30 p.m. in the Whitehouse Village Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present at roll call were Mr. Bruno, Mrs. Bruno, Mr. Frey, Mayor Brodie, Mr. Rozic, Mr. Pedro and Mrs. Duncan.

Also present this evening were Jim Bagdonas, Administrator; Phil Dombey, Law Director and Jon Gochenour, Director of Finance and Administration.

Others Present:

Whitehouse Mayor and Council, Waterville Township Trustees and Fiscal Officer as well as several members of the public.

Discussion with Whitehouse Village Council and Waterville Township Trustees

A. Possible Formation of a Union Cemetery District with Waterville Township and the Village of Whitehouse

There was considerable discussion by the elected officials and staff present concerning the options for maintaining the five cemeteries located within the City of Waterville, the Village of Whitehouse, and Waterville Township. Mayor Brodie presented a summary of information on cemetery plot sales, funerals, and available plots as provided to her by cemetery sexton Richard Ludwig. Jennifer Bingham, Waterville Township Fiscal Officer, presented cemetery revenue and expense data for 2018 and prior years. Ms. Bingham said that Waterville Township will not have sufficient funds to maintain the cemeteries for the rest of 2018 and suggested that financial support from the City and the Village will be needed. The City's 2011 Cemetery Services Agreement with Waterville Township will need to be amended to allow such a payment.

The consensus of the elected officials present was to continue to explore the formation of a Union Cemetery District consisting of the City, the Village, and the Township. A Committee of six individuals (2 from each entity) will examine the details involved in the formation of a Union Cemetery District.

Mayor Brodie moved to appoint Rod Frey and Jim Bagdonas as the City of Waterville representatives to the Union Cemetery District Committee. Mr. Rozic seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote.

Louann Artiaga and Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer were appointed to the Committee from Whitehouse and Brett Warner and Jennifer Bingham were appointed from Waterville Township.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, Mr. Rozic made a motion to close the meeting at 7:42 p.m. Mayor Brodie seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous voice vote.

Jon D. Gochenour, Clerk of Council

Lori Brodie, Mayor