

**Watson town Borough  
Council Meeting  
March 3, 2014**

**OPENING:** The March 3, 2014 Watson town Borough Council Meeting was called to order by President Harriet Miller at 7:30 PM. The meeting was held at the First Lutheran Church, 400 Main Street, Watson town. Pastor James Ritter gave the opening prayer and the Pledge to the American Flag.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** President Harriet Miller, Vice President Ralph Young, Jack Marshall, Janet Rump, Dan Folk, Harry Hefty, Solicitor Ryan Tira, Mayor Dave Hontz, Chief Dennis Derr, Borough Manager Edie Moser and Secretary/Treasurer Brendi Brooke.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mark A. Bricker, Tiffany Balliet, Pam Packer, Mary Phillips, Bucky Allis, Judy Clayton, Barry Bastian, Kaylee Fisher, Robin Fisher, Tony McClintock, Dick Purcell, Ferris Roberts, Ebony Litchard, Chris Litchard, Mary Ritter, Pastor James Ritter, Gloria Buhl, Bob Chaapel, Deb Wolfe, Rick Wolfe, Jill Derr, Dave Powell, Buzz Reynolds, Sarah Laubach, Corey Laubach, Justin Engle, Pam Parker, Rob Raup, Vera Young, Brent Frey, Viola Ranck, Tim Ranck, Ron Miller, Kevin Mertz, Liz Folk, Barb Pick, John Pick, Ralph Davis, Lisa Davis, Stacie Adam, Aaron Masser, Bernadette Albertson, Stephanie Kilgus, Cindy Crozier, Hal Crozier, Earl Sheatler, Jackie Sheatler, Richard Faux, Colleen Lockcuff, Randy Coup, Virginia Wirth, Kortney Snyder, Harold Keefer, William West, Polly Keefer.

**APPROVAL of MINUTES:** Janet Rump made a motion to approve the minutes from the Council Meeting on February 3, 2014, the Special Meeting on February 11, 2014 and the Committee Meeting on February 24, 2014. A second was given by Dan Folk. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Rump	- yes	Miller	- yes
Hefty	- yes	Folk	- yes
Marshall	- yes	Young	- yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

**BILLS & TRANSFERS:** A motion was made by Jack Marshall, seconded by Ralph Young to approve the bills and transfers in the amount of \$389,737.54. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Hefty	- yes	Folk	- yes
Marshall	- yes	Young	- yes
Miller	- yes	Rump	- yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

**THANK YOU –  
TURBOTVILLE  
BOROUGH:**

Edie said Watsonstown was in receipt of a thank you from Turbotville Borough for assisting them with our sewer truck.

**DONATION –  
JOHN & LACY  
HEFTY:**

Harry Hefty said John and Lacy Hefty want to do something for the town and didn't have much luck with the skate park. They've decided to fund the fireworks for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration. John Hefty's birthday happens to be on July 4<sup>th</sup>. John was a town resident here and owned a flour mill here. Harry said the fireworks cost \$7,000.00 last year and he thought this was a great idea. President Miller extended a heartfelt thank you. She said the donation will help the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee and the Borough.

**ORDINANCE  
2014-01  
CHINESE  
LANTERNS:**

Edie said Ordinance 2014-01 was provided at Council's seats this evening. At last week's Committee Meeting, Council asked Solicitor Tira to prepare the ordinance. Once Council reviews the ordinance, the next step is to advertise it. The ordinance prohibits the release/discharge of Chinese Lanterns within the Borough limits. The ordinance was tabled for the Committee Meeting later in the month.

**MIKE  
MESSINGER –  
AMP TRAINING:**

Edie asked Council for permission to send Mike Messinger, a Borough electrician, to additional training through AMP-Ohio from June 16, 2014 to June 20, 2014. He attended two basic training courses last year in Columbus, Ohio and is now requesting permission to attend their intermediate course. The course is \$1,000.00 and the Borough will pay for his meals and mileage. Harry Hefty made a motion, Dan Folk gave a second to approve all costs associated with Mike Messinger's attendance to AMP-Ohio's third course of training. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Marshall	- yes	Young	- yes
Miller	- yes	Rump	- yes
Folk	- yes	Hefty	- yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

**FIREMEN'S  
BANQUET:**

Edie said she received an email from Ken Hollenbach regarding the Firemen's Banquet to be held on March 8, 2014 in the Blue Room at the Watson Inn. Anyone interested is to let Edie know before leaving tonight's meeting, as Ken needs to know first thing in the morning.

**MAYOR:** none

**POLICE  
DEPARTMENT:** written

**FIRE and  
AMBULANCE:** none

**EMERGENCY  
MANAGEMENT:** none

**CODE  
ENFORCEMENT:** written

**SOLICITOR:** Solicitor Tira said an Executive Session would follow tonight's meeting for litigation.

**BOROUGH  
MANAGER:** written

**BOROUGH  
SECRETARY:** none

**ELECTRIC:** Jack Marshall announced something is being worked on regarding the electric. Jim Harvilla will be coming in to come up with a plan concerning electric rates.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before Council, Dan Folk made a motion, seconded by Jack Marshall, to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brendi L. Brooke  
Secretary/Treasurer