Watsontown Borough Re-Organization Meeting January 2, 2018

NEW

MEMBERS:

PRESENT:

The meeting began with the swearing in of Russ McClintock as Mayor by Brendi Brooke, Notary Public. Mayor McClintock then

swore in Councilmen Brent Frey, Dan Folk and Tax Collector Norman

Eisley.

OPENING: The January 2, 2018 Watsontown Borough Council Meeting was called

to order by Mayor Russ McClintock. The Mayor gave the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag followed.

MEMBERS: Members present were Greg Miller, Ken Hollenbach, Harry Hefty,

Todd Moyer, Dan Folk, Brent Frey, Mayor Russ McClintock, Solicitor Chief of Police Rodney Witherite, Borough Manager Jay Jarrett and

Secretary/Treasurer Brendi Brooke.

OTHERS Sylvia Joy Brown, Robert Brown, Ralph Young, Vera Young,

Judy Marshall, Mary Phillips, Jackie Sheatler, Christina Wolfe, Kay Tressler, Kim Tressler, Katelin Delp, Jake Mertz, Brenda Miller, Bucky Allis, Dennis Confer, Liz Folk, Devin Mertz, David Hontz, Brandon Sperl, Linda Salvatori, Crystal Moyer, Erica Frey, Hez Burrows, Terry Kirchner, Virginia Wirth, Angela Salvatori, Aaron Salvatori, Viola Ranck, Tim Ranck and Kathy Handiboe. Others were listed but

unreadable.

PRESIDENT: Mayor McClintock took nominations for Council President. Harry

Hefty nominated Greg Miller as Council President. A roll call vote was

taken as follows:

Frey - yes Hollenbach - yes Hefty - yes Folk - yes Moyer - yes Miller - abstain

Motion carried by majority vote.

VICE PRESIDENT: Mayor McClintock took nominations for Council Vice President. Brent Frey nominated Ken Hollenbach as Council Vice President. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

> Hefty - yes Folk - yes Moyer - yes Miller - yes Hollenbach - abstain Frey - yes

Motion carried by majority vote.

At this time, the Mayor turned the meeting over to President Greg Miller.

BOROUGH MANAGER:

Dan Folk made a motion, seconded by Brent Frey to re- appoint Jay Jarrett as Borough Manager. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes
Hollenbach	- yes	Frey	- yes
Folk	- yes	Hefty	- yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

SECRETARY/TREASURER:

Ken Hollenbach made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to re-appoint Brendi Brooke as Borough Secretary/Treasurer. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Hollenbach	- yes	Frey	- yes
Folk	- yes	Hefty	- yes
Miller	- yes	Moyer	- yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY/ TREASURER:

Dan Folk made a motion, seconded by Brent Frey to re-appoint Lisa Davis as Assistant Borough Secretary/Treasurer. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Folk	- yes	Hefty	- yes	
Miller	- yes	Moyer	- yes	
Frey	- yes	Hollenbach	- yes	

All in favor. Motion carried.

McNERNEY, PAGE VANDERLIN & HALL:

Harry Hefty made a motion, seconded by Ken Hollenbach to re-appoint McNerney, Page, Vanderlin and Hall as Borough Solicitors. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Folk	- yes	Hefty	- yes
Miller	- yes	Moyer	- yes
Frey	- yes	Hollenbach	- yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK:

Ken Hollenbach made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to re-appoint First National Bank as the Borough's depository. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Miller	- yes	Moyer	- yes
Frey	- yes	Hollenbach	- yes
Hefty	- yes	Folk	- yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL of MINUTES:

Harry Hefty made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to approve the December 11, 2017 Council Meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Frey	- yes	Hollenbach	- yes
Hefty	- yes	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

BILLS & TRANSFERS:

Harry Hefty made a motion to approve December's bills and transfers in the amount of \$222,309.79. There was a brief discussion regarding former chief's badges which will further be discussed at the next Committee Workshop. A second was given by Dan Folk. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Hefty	- yes	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes
Hollenbach	- yes	Frey	- yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

BUCKY ALLIS-CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

Bucky Allis spoke on behalf of the Civil Service Commission. He said the commission held their bi-annual meeting to appoint the following:

> Chair - Bucky Allis Vice Chair - Harry Hefty Secretary - Dave Powell

HONORABLE SERVICE AWARD:

At this time, Chief of Police Rodney Witherite presented Patrolman Timothy Kiefaber with a Chief's Letter of Commendation for his brave, selfless actions in the performance of his duties regarding an incident on February 12, 2017. A round of applause followed.

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:

Ken Hollenbach made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to appoint Jim Sanders as the Borough's Sewage Enforcement Officer. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes
Hollenbach	- yes	Frey	- yes
Folk	- ves	Heftv	- ves

All in favor. Motion carried.

ZONING/CODE ADMINISTRATION MAINTENANCE:

Harry Hefty made a motion, seconded by Ken Hollenbach to appoint Light-Heigel for the Borough's zoning/code administration at \$58/hour and property maintenance at \$60/hour. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

> Hollenbach - yes Frey - yes Folk - yes Hefty - yes Miller - yes Moyer - yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

SEASONAL PARK MAINTENANCE: Dan Folk made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to hire Robert Simpson (replacing Sonny Moser) for seasonal park maintenance. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

> Folk - yes Hefty - yes Miller Moyer - yes - yes Hollenbach Frey - yes - yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

RFP for **AUDITING SERVICES:** Jay said our auditor is retiring and her firm is no longer doing audits, just tax returns. Ken Hollenbach made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to seek requests for proposals for auditing services. A roll call

vote was taken as follows:

Miller Moyer - yes - yes Frey - yes Hollenbach - yes Hefty Folk - yes - yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

MAYOR: Mayor Russ McClintock thanked those who helped get him elected to

this office and he will do his utmost to serve the residents of the

Borough to the best of his ability.

POLICE: written

FIRE & nothing

AMBULANCE:

CODE written

ENFORCEMENT:

BOROUGH nothing to add

SOLICITOR:

BOROUGH written

MANAGER:

SECRETARY:

PUBLIC WORKS: nothing

BOROUGH nothing

THANK YOU: Ken Hollenbach thanked everyone involved with the Police Christmas

Program.

COMMITTEES: Brent Frey asked about committee appointments; President Greg

Miller will be appointing members of Council to committees and will

have them for Committee Workshop.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before Council, Brent Frey

made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to adjourn the meeting at

7:44 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Brendi L. Brooke Secretary/Treasurer