## **Watsontown Borough Council Meeting** June 10, 2019

**OPENING:** The June 10, 2019 Watsontown Borough Council Meeting was called

> Order by President Greg Miller at 7:00 pm. The meeting was held in Council Chambers at 318 Main Street, Watsontown. The opening prayer was given by Mayor Russell McClintock, followed by the Pledge

of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**MEMBERS** Members present were President Greg Miller, Vice President Ken PRESENT:

Hollenbach, Todd Moyer, Harry Hefty, Mayor Russell McClintock, Chief of Police Rodney Witherite, Borough Manager Jay Jarrett and Secretary/Treasurer Brendi Brooke. Fred Merrill and Dan Folk

were absent.

**OTHERS** Janet Rump, Kevin Mertz, Crystal Moyer, Gene Kilgus, Dale Winder,

Stacie Adam, Dennis Confer, Brent Frey and Julia Erb. PRESENT:

APPROVAL of A motion was made by Ken Hollenbach, seconded by Todd Moyer to **MINUTES:** 

approve the May 13, 2019 Council Meeting and May 24, 2019

Committee Workshop minutes. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

- absent Merrill Hollenbach - yes Hefty Folk - absent - yes Moyer Miller - yes - yes

Motion carried by majority vote.

**BILLS &** 

A motion was made by Harry Hefty, seconded by Todd Moyer to approve the bills and transfers for June 2019 at \$485,599.77. A roll

call vote was taken as follows:

Hefty Hollenbach - yes - yes Moyer Miller - yes - yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

LETTER It was noted that a letter was received from Marilyn Mook, resident.

**COMMITTEES:** 

**RECEIVED:** 

TRANSFERS:

FINANCE: nothing to add **CEMETERY:** nothing to add

Jay mentioned a meeting with Mike Weaver regarding the cemetery

rules and fence.

**ELECTRIC:** Jay mentioned a call from PPL and a meeting.

Jay also said DPW employees are being trained for co-op and

mutual aide.

**INSURANCE:** nothing to add

PARKS & (2) dog waste containers were ordered for the walking track and

**RECREATION:** the 8<sup>th</sup> Street Park.

**PERSONNEL:** The Chief's contract will be voted on later in the meeting.

The officer's contract will be coming up.

**PROTECTION** The Mayor mentioned the new 2019 Police Cruiser donated by Moran.

**TO PERSONS** The Mayor said Officer Baker completed his probation.

**& PROPERTY:** Council will decide on whether the police department will keep all (5)

vehicles.

**STREETS &** Jay said paving will start on June 17, 2019.

**HIGHWAYS:** 

**WASTE** nothing to add

MGMT.:

CHIEF's Todd Moyer made a motion, seconded by Harry Hefty to approve the

**NEW CONTRACT:** Chief's contract. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Moyer - yes Miller - yes Hollenbach - yes Hefty - yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

OFFICER A motion was made by Harry Hefty, seconded by Todd Moyer to approve the end of Officer Robert Baker's probation. A roll call vote

**PROBATION:** was taken as follows:

Hollenbach - yes Hefty - yes Miller - yes Moyer - yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

HANDICAP PARKING:

Council has a request for a handicap parking sign for 300 PA Avenue. They decided to table the request until the Committee Workshop.

**CONFERENCE:** 

Harry Hefty made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer for Jay to attend the PA Legal Update Conference at a cost of \$225 plus lodging. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

> Miller - yes Moyer - yes Hefty - yes Hollenbach - yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

**REPORTS:** 

**MAYOR:** nothing to add

**POLICE:** written

The Chief said the dog made another drug seizure in the Borough.

The Chief spoke of Officer Angel McGlaughlin's funeral.

FIRE &

**AMBULANCE:** written

**EMERGENCY** 

**MGMT.:** nothing to add

CODE

**ENFORCEMENT:** written

Jay spoke about the Ash Street Property and potential buyers.

**SOLICITOR:** nothing to add

BOROUGH

**MANAGER:** written

Jay spoke of the Ulrich property and said the locks have been changed. The Public Works snow plows have been moved to the Brimmer

Avenue garage.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** written

BOROUGH SECRETARY Brendi spoke of the upcoming "Watsontown Walks".

**FYI's** President Miller mentioned the FYI's as listed on this evening's

agenda.

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**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting

adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brendi L. Brooke Secretary/Treasurer