

**Watsonstown Borough  
Council Meeting  
June 8, 2020**

**OPENING:** The Watsonstown Borough Council Meeting began at 7:00 pm on Monday, June 8, 2020 in Council Chambers, 318 Main Street, Watsonstown. Mayor Russell McClintock opened with prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** President Greg Miller, Vice President Dan Folk, Todd Moyer, Ralph Young, Dennis Confer, Fred Merrill, Mayor Russell McClintock, Solitor Jon DeWald, Chief of Police Rodney Witherite, Borough Manager Jay Jarrett and Secretary/Treasurer Brendi Brooke.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Crystal Moyer, Kevin Mertz, Mary Ann Everetts, Dave Powell, Julia Erb, Brent Frey, Virginia Wirth and Stacie Adams. Janet Rump and another person joined by conference call.

**APPROVAL of MINUTES:** Fred Merrill made a motion, seconded by Dennis Confer approving the May 26, 2020 Council Meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Merrill	- yes	Confer	- yes
Young	- yes	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

**BILLS & TRANSFERS:** Ralph Young made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to approve the bills and transfers for May 2020 in the amount of \$89,845.05. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Young	- yes	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes
Confer	- yes	Merrill	- yes

All in favor. Motion carried.

**VISITORS & CORRESPONDENCE:** There were no visitors and no correspondence.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** President Greg Miller announced an Executive Session following tonight's meeting regarding a personnel issue and they may or may not return to a Public Session.

**COMMITTEES:**

**FINANCE:** nothing at this time

**CEMETERY:** Dennis Confer said the dead tree in the cemetery has been taken care of and he continues to get compliments on how nicely our cemetery is maintained.

**ELECTRIC:** nothing at this time

**INSURANCE:** nothing at this time

**PARKS & RECREATION:** Jay said 8<sup>th</sup> Street Park will be unlocked on Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. Our Memorial Park will be open for use as well.

**TREE TRIMMING:** Jay said he called Ryan at Turbotville Landscaping for a price to trim the trees at the south end of town. Ryan, the owner, is looking to possibly trim the trees in July.

**PROTECTION To PERSONS & PROPERTY:** nothing at this time

**STREETS & HIGHWAYS:** Jay said he will talk further about a small storm water project at the Committee Workshop.

**WASTE MANAGEMENT:** nothing at this time

**OLD BUSINESS:** none

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ALLEY CLOSURE:** Brent Frey withdrew his request to temporarily close the alley beside The Teek.

**REPORTS:**

**MAYOR:** The Mayor thanked the fire department, police department and all others involved in the bomb threat.

**POLICE:** written

The Chief also commented on the handling of the bomb threat.

**FIRE &  
AMBULANCE:** written

President Miller complimented the fire department on the parade for the seniors on Friday, June 5, 2020.

**EMERGENCY  
MGMNT.:** nothing to add

**CODE  
ENFORCEMENT:** written

**SOLICITOR:** The Solicitor said a complaint has been filed against the Ash Street property that fell in poor repair; the homeowner was served last week therefore the process is officially in motion.

**BOROUGH  
MANAGER:** written

Jay said the Farmers Market is going well; it will be even better with the area going green on Friday – no spacing requirements. It has been very well supported; the market guidelines have been formalized as well.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** written

**SECRETARY:** nothing to add

**4<sup>th</sup> of JULY:** Dennis Confer said he thought we may have jumped to quickly to cancel the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities; he thinks we need to show something to our community – drive through town at 10 am when the parade would have started. Dan Folk said they are trying to put together a car cruise at 10 am on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

**EXECUTIVE  
SESSION:** At 7:10 pm, Council dismissed the audience to enter into an Executive Session.

**REOPEN TO  
PUBLIC SESSION:**

The meeting reopened to a Public Session at 7:36 pm.

**MOTION:**

A motion to place Sergeant Greg Drollinger on paid administrative leave, pending the completion of an internal investigation was made by Fred Merrill, 2nd by Todd Moyer, all in favor.

**ADJOURNED:**

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Sincerely,

Brendi L. Brooke  
Secretary/Treasurer