

**Watson town Borough
Council Meeting
August 13, 2018**

OPENING: The August 13, 2018 Watson town Borough Council Meeting was called to order by President Greg Miller at 7:00 pm. The meeting was held in Council Chambers at 318 Main Street, Watson town. President Greg Miller announced there would be a short Executive Session after visitors. The opening prayer was given by Mayor Russell McClintock, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Members present were President Greg Miller, Vice President Ken Hollenbach, Todd Moyer, Brent Frey, Harry Hefty, Dan Folk, Mayor Russ McClintock, Solicitor Jon DeWald, Chief of Police Rodney Witherite, Borough Manager Jay Jarrett and Secretary/Treasurer Brendi Brooke.

OTHERS PRESENT: Janet Rump, Barb Pick, John Pick, Kevin Mertz of the Standard Journal, Tim Ranck, Liz Folk, Stacie Adam, Crystal Moyer, David Powell & Barb Diehl.

APPROVAL of MINUTES: A motion was made by Harry Hefty, seconded by Ken Hollenbach to approve the July 9, 2018 Council Meeting minutes and the minutes from the July 23, 2018 Committee Workshop. 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: After questions by Brent Frey and Harry Hefty were answered by Jay, Chief Witherite and Brendi, a motion was made by Dan Folk, seconded by Harry Hefty to approve the bills and transfers for August in the amount of \$344,272.78. 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.

**4th of JULY
COMMITTEE
RECOGNIZED:**

On behalf of Council, President Greg Miller thanked the Borough's 4th of July Committee – Rene Toro, Barb Diehl, Kaitlyn Snoody and Liz Folk for the great job they do each year with our celebration. A round of applause followed.

**JOHN PICK -
FLOODING:**

John Pick spoke to Council regarding Tannery Run and the flooding of East 9th Street. He thanked the first responders and the police department for the assistance received in his neighborhood during the early hours of this morning due to the flooding of Tannery Run. Pictures of railroad siding in Tannery Run and a home that received extensive flood damage were passed around the Council table. He continued to speak regarding the proposed KOZ property being obtained by Moran Industries in Delaware Township, its storm water management and its effect on the Borough of Watsontown. Numerous people spoke to the issue; the conversation continued.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION:**

At this time the Council moved to an Executive Session; the public left the Council room at 7:30 pm.

**MEETING
RESUMED:**

The public meeting resumed at 7:59 pm.

COMMITTEES:

FINANCE: nothing

CEMETERY: nothing

ELECTRIC: nothing

INSURANCE: Kilmer insurance will be here on Friday to review the existing policy and make a proposal in time for the budget.

**PARKS &
RECREATION:** Ken Hollenbach asked Council to think about naming the new park after Jack Marshall, as it was his idea/dream. Ken said he will talk with Jack's wife and ask for her approval.

PERSONNEL: nothing

**PROTECTION TO
PERSONS &
PROPERTY:** nothing

**STREETS &
HIGHWAYS:** nothing

**WASTE
MANAGEMENT:**

Brent spoke regarding the refuse bid that will be discussed as new business later in the meeting.

**CANAL
PROPERTY:**

A motion was made by Brent Frey, seconded by Ken Hollenbach to accept the Deed of Dedication for the Canal property from the Warrior Run Community Corp. 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.

MUNICIPAL:

Harry Hefty made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to advertise the 2003 Ford F350 and the sewer jetter on Municipal. 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.

**ADVERTISE
REFUSE BIDS:**

Harry Hefty made a motion, seconded by Brent Frey to advertise for refuse bids. 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.

MMO's:

Brent Frey made a motion, seconded by Ken Hollenbach to approve the following MMO's:

Police Pension	\$101,850.00
Non-Uniform	\$113,979.00

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.

LINEMAN HIRED: Dan Folk made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to hire Kaleb Firman as a Borough Lineman at a rate of \$16/hour. 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.

Jay said Kaleb will be starting in a week or so.

DPW FOREMAN: Harry Hefty made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to redirect the hiring of a DPW Foreman back to the Personnel Committee. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Hefty	- yes	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes
Hollenbach	- yes	Frey	- abstain (he applied for the job)

Motion carried by majority vote.

**INCREASE
PAY FOR TRAVIS
WALTERS:** Ken Hollenbach made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to increase wages of Travis Walters to \$16.70 per hour effective 8/13/18. 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.

**STREET
CLOSING:** Brent Frey made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to permit Kingdom Kids to close East 3rd Street on October 31st from 5 pm to 8:30 pm for their "Light the Night" event. 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.

**PEACH
FESTIVAL:** Ken Hollenbach made a motion, seconded by Harry Hefty to approve closing East 6th Street on August 25th from 3-10 pm for Trinity UCC's Annual Peach Festival. 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.

**HOMEcomings
PARADE:**

A motion was made by Todd Moyer, seconded by Brent Frey approving the Warrior Run Homecoming Parade on 10/12/18 at 5 pm. 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.

**MARTIAL
ARTS IN PARK:**

Pending receipt of a liability insurance certificate, a motion was made by Brent Frey, seconded by Ken Hollenbach to approve Shane Bastress to teach martial arts in the park. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor. Motion carried.

**PSAB – FALL
CONFERENCE:**

Harry Hefty made a motion, seconded by Brent Frey to approve Ken Hollenbach's attendance to the PSAB Fall Conference. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

Motion carried by majority vote.

REPORTS:

MAYOR:

The Mayor thanked the Borough for participating in Kids Café' today. He also said the Fire Company picked up the (2) pumps.

POLICE:

written
Chief Witherite spoke regarding the dog project and current donations. He also mentioned the possibility of obtaining a vehicle from the Attorney General's office.

FIRE & AMBULANCE: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: written
Ken Hollenbach asked about the use of the Swift 911 system. He thought it should have been used during the flooding last evening. Everyone agreed emergency logistics need to be worked out. Brent Frey asked if it could be discussed further at Committee Workshop.

CODE ENFORCEMENT: written
Brent Frey asked Jay how rental inspections were going; Jay said everything is working out well.
A few other things were mentioned.

BOROUGH SOLICITOR: nothing

BOROUGH MANAGER: written
Jay spoke briefly about the conference he recently attended.

PUBLIC WORKS: nothing

BOROUGH SECRETARY: nothing

EVENT CANCELLED: Janet Rump asked about a fund raiser that was to be held in the park that was cancelled.

FYI's: Brush pick-up – 8/14/18
Planning Commission Meeting – 8/20/18 @ 7:30 pm
Committee Workshop – 8/27/18 @ 7:00 pm
Watson town Yard Sales – 9/29/18

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brendi L. Brooke,
Secretary/Treasurer