Police Officer Borough of Watsontown

An application to apply for the position of Police Officer is available at the Watsontown Borough Office, 318 Main St. Watsontown, PA 17777. The Borough Office is open Monday thru Friday, 7:00 am to 4:00 pm. Applications are also available on-line at http://www.watsontownpa.info. Please feel free to contact Chief of Police Christopher Snyder or Sergeant Timothy Kiefaber if you have any questions at 570-538-2773.

Completed applications may be mailed to the address above or dropped off in person. Completed applications must be received by the Watsontown Borough office by 3:00 pm on Friday, December 16, 2022. Applicants who meet the requirements will be notified in writing of the next step in the examination process. The written, physical and oral examination will be held on Friday December 30, 2022 at 8:00am at the Watsontown Borough Building for all candidates who meet the requirements. The projected hire date for this position is January 9, 2023.

General qualifications for the position of police officer at the time of application are:

- 1. Citizen of the United States or evidence to show naturalization as a USA citizen.
- 2. Twenty-one years of age or older at the time of application.
- 3. Graduated from an accredited high school / possess a valid General Education (Equivalency) Diploma, or GED.
- 4. Successfully completed ACT 120 training. (Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training)
- 5. Shall be physically, medically and psychologically fit for the performance of the duties of a police officer and shall be of good moral character.
- 6. Licensed to operate an automobile in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 7. Must be able to meet the essential duties as listed on the police officer application.

Residency Requirements - All applicants permanently appointed to vacancies in the Watsontown Police Department shall within twenty-six (26) weeks of the effective date of employment, unless extended by Borough Council for good cause, assume and maintain a full time residence within thirty (30) air miles of the corporate limits of the Borough of Watsontown, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania.

The 2023 starting annual salary is \$53,206.00. Current Patrol Officers with over 5 years of service with the Department will have a base salary of approximately \$70,948.00 in 2023. In addition, there is paid overtime and pay increase for rank and longevity. Other benefits include paid annual leave, paid personal time, paid sick time, family health care, clothing allowance and 25 year retirement. The current Police contract expires December 31, 2024.

The Borough of Watsontown is an Equal Opportunity Employer.