

**Watsonstown Borough  
Council Meeting  
January 9, 2022**

**OPENING:** The Watsonstown Borough Council Meeting began at 7:00 pm on Monday, January 9, 2023 in Council Chambers at 318 Main Street, Watsonstown. Mayor Russell McClintock gave the opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** President Greg Miller, Vice President Dan Folk, Todd Moyer, Fred Merrill, Ralph Young, Roy Smedley, Solicitor Jon DeWald, Chief of Police Chris Snyder, Borough Manager Jay Jarrett and Secretary/Treasurer Brendi Brooke

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Brian Harrison, Shannon Smedley, Logan Smedley, Thomas Hetherington, Janet Rump, Vera Young, Julia Erb, Crystal Moyer, Brent Frey, Dave Powell and Virginia Wirth

**APPROVAL of MINUTES:** Fred Merrill made a motion, seconded by Ralph Young to approve the minutes for the December 12, 2022 Council Meeting. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Merrill	- yes	Smedley	- yes
Young	- yes	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes

All in favor; motion carried.

**BILLS & TRANSFERS:** Roy Smedley made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to approve bills and transfers for the month of January 2023 in the amount of \$336,944.42. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Young	- yes	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes
Smedley	- yes	Merrill	- yes

All in favor; motion carried.

**TWO SISTERS TOY DRIVE:** Chief Chris Snyder presented Alice and Lilly Wallace, daughters of Joshua and Lynette Wallace of Two Sisters Toy Drive with certificates of appreciation for their help, assistance and commitment to the Chief Carl Reed Christmas Program. A round of applause followed.

**PROCLAMATION:** Mayor Russell McClintock issued and read a proclamation declaring January 9<sup>th</sup> as National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. A round of applause followed.

**COMMITTEES:**

**FINANCE:** nothing at this time

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:** nothing at this time

**CEMETERY:** nothing at this time

Greg Miller mentioned the bulging wall at the cemetery.

**ELECTRIC:** nothing at this time

**INSURANCE:** nothing at this time

**PARKS & RECREATION:** Roy Smedley spoke of people wanting a Christmas festival similar to Mifflinburg's "Kris Kringle Market" on a smaller scale. He said he and Todd Moyer will be working together and looking for Council's support moving forward with the idea.

**PERSONNEL:** nothing at this time

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

**STREETS & HIGHWAYS:** nothing at this time

**REFUSE:** nothing at this time

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**HANDICAP  
PARKING:**

Todd Moyer made a motion, seconded by Fred Merrill to approve a handicap parking space at 118 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street for David Mather. A roll vote was taken as follows:

Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes
Smedley	- yes	Merrill	- yes
Folk	- yes	Young	- yes

All in favor' motion carried.

**2023 WRAFD  
CARNIVAL:**

Fred Merrill made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to approve the 2023 Warrior Run Area Fire Department Carnival – using Memorial Park from June 6<sup>th</sup> thru June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Smedley	- yes	Merrill	- yes
Folk	- yes	Young	- yes
Miller	- yes	Moyer	- yes

All in favor; motion carried.

**RESOLUTION  
2023-01:**

Dan Folk made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer approving Resolution 2023-01 regarding PennDot's traffic signal maintenance. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Folk	- yes	Young	- yes
Miller	- yes	Moyer	- yes
Merrill	- yes	Smedley	- yes

All in favor; motion carried.

**RESOLUTION  
2023-02:**

Fred Merrill made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to retire the police department's K9 Mariska to Sergeant Tim Keifaber's permanent care effective today, January 9, 2023. There were numerous questions from the audience. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Miller	- yes	Moyer	- yes
Merrill	- yes	Smedley	- yes
Young	- yes	Folk	- yes

All in favor; motion carried.

**POLICE -  
NEW HIRE:**

Todd Moyer made a motion, seconded by Roy Smedley with approval to hire Caitlyn Yonkin as a police officer effective immediately pending her passing psychological and physical evaluations. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Merrill	- yes	Smedley	- yes
Young	- yes	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes

All in favor; motion carried.

**BOB FREY -  
VACATION:**

Dan Folk made a motion, seconded by Ralph Young to approve Bob Frey's vacation request to attend college wrestling finals on March 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Young	- yes	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes
Smedley	- yes	Merrill	- yes

All in favor; motion carried.

**REPORTS:**

**MAYOR:** nothing to add

**POLICE:** written

**FIRE &  
AMBULANCE:** written

**EMERGENCY  
MGMNT.:** nothing to add

**CODE  
ENFORCEMENT:** written

**SOLICITOR:** nothing to add

**BOROUGH  
MANAGER:** written

**PUBLIC WORKS:** written

**BOROUGH  
SECRETARY:** Brendi read (2) thank you's – Connie Fladland on behalf of Pastor Fladland and the Turbotville Lions Club. She also spoke regarding this year's Chief Carl Reed Christmas Program – 134 children representing 55 families with an additional 9 children helped through the Two Sisters Toy Drive.

**FYI:** Greg Miller said the Committee Workshop would be held on Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brendi L. Brooke  
Secretary/Treasurer