

**Watson town Borough
Council Meeting
July 9, 2018**

OPENING: The July 9, 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. 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: Kevin Mertz of the Standard Journal, Ken Smith, Stacie Adam, Virginia Wirth, Rob Yannaccone and Crystal Moyer.

APPROVAL of MINUTES: Todd Moyer advised the revitalization project is called “Down Town” not “Main Street” as listed on page 2 of the minutes from the June 11th Council Meeting. A motion was made by Harry Hefty, seconded by Dan Folk to approve the minutes as amended from the June 11, 2018 Council Meeting and the June 25, 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 a question from Brent Frey regarding a refunded fence permit, a motion was made by Ken Hollenbach, seconded by Todd Moyer to approve bills and transfers in the amount of \$204,244.21. 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.

THANK YOU: Ken Smith representing the Sounds of the Susquehanna Drum and Bugle Corps thanked Council for the use of our park to practice for a recent competition at the Milton High School. A group will be returning to town to practice.

COMMITTEES:

FINANCE: nothing

Ed Knittle of PSAB will be at the Committee Workshop on July 23rd. Council decided the start of the meeting will remain at 7:00 pm.

CEMETERY: nothing

Harry spoke regarding police patrol in the cemetery during the fireworks. The Mayor said there were questions from Delaware Township.

ELECTRIC: nothing

INSURANCE: nothing

Jay said the Borough will have to wait until the end of the year before making a change in liability & workers compensation insurance companies.

PARKS & RECREATION: nothing

Harry spoke of upgrading the public restrooms at the park.

PERSONNEL: Jay said Mike Messinger's last day is this Friday; he invited Council and the police department to a luncheon in Mike's honor on Thursday.

Jay also said he has (3) good applicants and will be looking to schedule interviews.

PROTECTION TO PERSONS & PROPERTY: nothing

STREETS & HIGHWAYS: nothing

WASTE MANAGEMENT: Brent said they would review the upcoming refuse bid request at Committee Workshop.

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION: Following a discussion regarding grants and those involved in the downtown revitalization project committee, a motion was made by Harry Hefty, seconded by Dan Folk to earmark \$50,000.00 of Capital Reserve for the downtown revitalization project. 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.

RENTAL INSPECTIONS: After a brief discussion regarding fees charged by Light-Heigel for rental inspections, a motion was made by Harry Hefty, seconded by Dan Folk to approve Borough Manager, Jay Jarrett to do rental inspections. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Hollenbach	- yes	Frey	- no
Folk	- yes	Hefty	- yes
Miller	- yes	Moyer	- yes

Motion carried by majority vote.

CONFERENCE: A motion was made by Brent Frey, seconded by Dan Folk to approve Jay to attend the PA Municipal Legal Update Conference in Harrisburg on August 8th and 9th and pay hotel fees associated with the conference. 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.

PAINT PARKING LINES: Harry Hefty made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to approve the painting of parking lines on the 200 block of 8th Street per a resident's request. 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.

MILTON AREA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION BOARD:

Jay said, as discussed at Committee Workshop, the Borough was invited to take a seat on the Board of the Milton Area Industrial Development Association, which will meet once a month. A motion was made by Harry Hefty, seconded by Ken Hollenbach. 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.

REPORTS:

MAYOR:

Mayor McClintock commended Tim Ranck, Randy Minium and Travis Walters for helping the police department on the 4th of July.

The Mayor asked that a thank you note be sent to Milton Borough for them helping us with their street sweeper.

Jay also spoke of Bob Simpson and his invaluable help with park maintenance on the 4th of July.

A few things to consider for next year's 4th of July celebration were discussed including trash receptacles along the parade route and portable toilets at 4th and 8th Street.

Todd Moyer said a business has offered to donate a parade banner for Council next year.

POLICE:

written

The Chief gave an update on the narcotic dog and current donations towards the program. He said we've also received a commitment of \$500/month from Sunbury Motors. He also spoke regarding the possible breed of the dog that the department will receive.

FIRE & AMBULANCE:

written

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

nothing

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

written

WARRIOR RUN COMMUNITY CORP.: Attorney Dewald has contacted Al Reeves from the Warrior Run Community Corp. He has all of the paperwork for the deed identification to transfer the property back to the Borough. The Warrior Run Community Corp will authorize the transfer and Solicitor Dewald will have it for the next meeting.

BOROUGH MANAGER: written

Jay spoke regarding various things including the storm water project and the status of the boat launch project.

The Chief asked the status of the railroad parking lot. The conversation continued.

PUBLIC WORKS: written

BOROUGH SECRETARY: nothing

FOUNTAIN: Ken Hollenbach said the fountain was only flowing from one side. Jay said it continues to be a balancing problem.

FYI's: President Miller mentioned the following:

Brush pick-up - 7/10/2018
Planning Commission Meeting - 7/16/18 @ 7:30 pm
Committee Workshop - 7/23/18 @ 7:00 pm
National Night Out - 8/7/18 @ 6:00 pm
Kids Café is serving lunch every day from 11 am to 12:30pm.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Brendi L. Brooke
Secretary/Treasurer