

**Watson town Borough
Council Meeting
August 14, 2023**

OPENING: The August 14, 2023 Watson town Borough Council Meeting began at 7:00 pm on Monday, August 14, 2023 at the Memorial Park in Pavilion #2. 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, Mayor Russell McClintock, Solicitor Jon DeWald, Chief of Police Chris Snyder, Borough Manager Jay Jarrett and Secretary/Treasurer Brendi Brooke

OTHERS PRESENT: Vera Young, Janet Rump, Dave Powell, Joe Wigton, Virginia Wirth and Crystal Moyer

APPROVAL of MINUTES: Fred Merrill made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to approve minutes from the July 24, 2023 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: Dan Folk made a motion, seconded by Roy Smedley to approve August bills and transfers in the amount of \$269,678.80 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.

NO VISTIORS

COMMITTEES:

FINANCE: nothing at this time

EMA: nothing at this time

CEMETERY: nothing at this time

ELECTRIC: Jay said Comcast cable will be setting poles within the Borough – 66 days to complete work within the Borough. He is pleased with the working relationship thus far.

INSURANCE: Jay said he has discussed with our insurance company our upcoming Winterfest and the need for a policy. There is no need and it is covered under the umbrella of our insurance policy.

PERSONNEL: nothing at this time

PROTECTION to PERSONS & PROPERTY: nothing at this time; Mayor said another busy month.

STREETS & HIGHWAYS: Brent said crack seal and fog seal will be complete this week weather permitting.

REFUSE: nothing at this time

NO OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS:

TRAINING FOR NORM EISLEY: Ralph Young made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to approve Norm Eisley to attend tax collector’s training at a cost of \$462.87. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

**WREATHS
ACROSS
AMERICA:**

Roy Smedley made a motion, seconded by Fred Merrill to approve participation in Wreaths Across America per a request from Susan Wilt. 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.

**LETTER SENT
TO MRSA:**

Fred Merrill made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to authorize the Solicitor to send a letter to MRSA on behalf of Donna Reeder - D&D Restaurant. 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.

**GRAND
OPENING:**

Mayor McClintock spoke of the Watsontown Historical Association's grand opening on Friday night. All are invited to attend. The schedule is included in packets; Sunday is the dedication of the Yannaconne - park and community room.

STAGE:

Todd Moyer made a motion, seconded by Roy Smedley allowing the Watsontown Historical Association to borrow the Borough's stage for the weekend. 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.

REPORTS:

MAYOR: nothing to add

POLICE: written

**FIRE &
AMBULANCE:** written

**EMERGENCY
MGMNT.:** nothing to add

**CODE
ENFORCEMENT:** written

SOLICITOR: written

**BOROUGH
MANAGER:** written

PUBLIC WORKS: written

SECRETARY: Brendi read a thank you from Brian Harrison of the Warrior Run Fire Department; she also recognized Chief Snyder and Sergeant Kiefaber for their work on the community backpack program. She also thanked Council for their support of the Kids Café meal program; the Borough is providing lunch again on Friday.

FYI's: Farmers' Market – every Saturday – 9am to noon – Canal Boat Pavilion
Grand Opening– Watsontown Historical Association – August 18 – 20.
Planning Commission – August 21st
Wednesdays in Watsontown (Music at the Canal Boat) – August 23rd
Committee Workshop – August 28th
Borough Office & Public Works closed for Labor Day – September 4th
Brush Pick up – September 12th

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brendi L. Brooke
Secretary/Treasurer