

**Watsonstown Borough  
Council Meeting  
August 8, 2022**

**OPENING:** The Watsonstown Borough Council Meeting began at 7:00 pm on Monday, August 8, 2022 in Council Chambers at 318 Main Street, Watsonstown. Brendi Brooke gave the opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Vice President Dan Folk, Todd Moyer, Dennis Confer, Ralph Young, Fred Merrill, Solicitor Jon DeWald, Chief of Police Chris Snyder, Borough Manager Jay Jarrett and Secretary/Treasurer Brendi Brooke. President Greg Miller and Mayor Russell McClintock were absent.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Gene Kilgus, Mary Ann Everetts, Janet Rump, Crystal Moyer, Robert Brown, Julia Erb, Matt Farrand of the Standard-Journal, Erica Frey, Dave Powell, Virginia Wirth and Brent Frey

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Vice President Dan Folk announced an Executive Session is to follow tonight's meeting. They will not return to Public Session.

**APPROVAL Of MINUTES:** Fred Merrill made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to approve the meeting minutes from the July 11, 2022 Council Meeting and the Committee Workshop on July 25, 2022. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Merrill	- yes	Confer	- yes
Young	- yes	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Miller	- absent

All in favor; motion carried.

**BILLS & TRANSFERS:** Dennis Confer made a motion, seconded by Ralph Young to approve the bills and transfers for August 2022 in the amount of \$264,680.70. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Young	- yes	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Merrill	- yes
Confer	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**COMMITTEES:**

**FINANCE:** nothing at this time

**EMA:** nothing at this time

**CEMETERY:** Denny said (5) trees were removed along 1<sup>st</sup> Street near the cemetery.

**ELECTRIC:** nothing at this time

**INSURANCE:** Jay said the pump track was added to our insurance policy, we are still waiting to here if they will approve the skate ramp.

**PARKS & RECREATION:** The ribbon cutting for the pump track will take place at an event sponsored by T.K. Tackle on September 10, 2022 at 10:00 am.

A resident asked about the progress with the Scout's pavilion; Brent Frey and Dan Folk both spoke to the question.

**PERSONNEL:** nothing at this time

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

**STREETS & HIGHWAYS:** Brent Frey said tar/chipping on Wyndmere Estates, 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Matthew Street and Pennsylvania Avenue will begin on Monday, August 15, 2022.

**REFUSE:** Fred Merrill reminded everyone tomorrow is brush pick-up.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**4<sup>th</sup> of JULY COMMITTEE:** Denny said he received an email from Barb Diehl of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee asking for volunteers; no other thank you is necessary. He also mentioned their upcoming 50<sup>th</sup> year anniversary – the 2024 Celebration and the big plans being made.

**SKATE RAMP:** Denny said a gentleman is interested in building us a skate ramp - \$2100.00 for the material. We are waiting to hear from the insurance company.

**PARK:** Denny said both park pavilions were rented on Saturday – they were pleased with the park and the restrooms, lots of compliments.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**BIG ROCK PAVING BID:** Todd Moyer made a motion, seconded by Fred Merrill to award the paving contract as submitted by Big Rock Paving Company in the amount of \$71,470.00. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Moyer	- yes	Merrill	- yes
Confer	- yes	Young	- yes
Folk	- yes		

All in favor; motioned carried. A member of the audience asked where the money was coming from - Jay said we would use Capital Reserve money until our Liquid Fuels money comes.

**CAMERAS:** Denny Confer made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to approve the purchase of cameras for the Borough Office and the Police Department at a cost not to exceed \$2,000.00. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Confer	- yes	Young	- yes
Folk	- yes	Moyer	- yes
Merrill	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**WARRIOR RUN HOMECOMING PARADE:** Denny Confer made a motion, seconded by Fred Merrill to approve the Warrior Run Homecoming Parade on Thursday, September 29, 2022. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Folk	- yes	Moyer	- yes
Merrill	- yes	Confer	- yes
Young	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**REPORTS:**

**MAYOR:** not in attendance

**POLICE:** written; Chief Chris Snyder said the Department is in receipt of (1) application. The application deadline has been extended by the Civil Service Commission to October 4, 2022.

**FIRE &  
AMBULANCE:** nothing received

**EMERGENCY  
MGMNT.:** nothing to add

**CODE  
ENFORCEMENT:** written

**SOLICITOR:** nothing to add

**BOROUGH  
MANAGER:** written

**PUBLIC WORKS:** written

**SECRETARY:** Brendi read a thank you card from Turbotville's Carnival Committee; she also brought up how successful our National Night Out was on Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Kudos to Chief Snyder and his police department.

**GARBAGE:** A resident asked if the rumors were true that the Borough will be getting into (buying) the garbage business ; Vice President Dan Folk said there is nothing in the works and no discussion at this time.

**FYI's:**  
**Brush Pickup – Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**Planning Commission Meeting – Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**Committee Workshop – Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**Office & Public Works – closed – Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**Council Meeting – Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>**

**PHARMACY  
MEETING:**

Jay said WABA and Mr. Hetherington have teamed up with area pharmacies to meet with residents at the Watson Inn on Thursday, August 11, 2022 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm to discuss prescription options.

**ADJOURN:**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Brendi L. Brooke  
Secretary/Treasurer