

**Watsonstown Borough  
Council Meeting  
September 13, 2021**

**OPENING:** The Watsonstown Borough Council Meeting began at 7:00 pm on Monday, September 13, 2021 in Council Chambers at 318 Main Street, Watsonstown. Mayor Russell McClintock opened with prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Kevin Mertz–Standard Journal, Vera Young, Larry Bieber, Janet Rump, Dave Powell, Julia Erb, Erica Frey, Brent Frey and Robert Brown.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** President Greg Miller announced an Executive Session will be held after tonight’s meeting for real estate matters. Council will not be returning to a regular session.

**APPROVAL of MINUTES:** A motion was made by Dennis Confer, seconded by Fred Merrill to approve the minutes from the August 23, 2021 meeting, as amended. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

**BILLS & TRANSFERS:** Fred Merrill made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to approve bills and transfers for September 2021 in the amount of \$157,582.48. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

**VISITORS:** Warrior Run Fire Department Chief Doug Funk was on the agenda to speak tonight but wasn't present.

**CORRE-  
SPONDENCE:** nothing

**POLICE  
DEPARTMENT  
PRESENTATIONS:** Chief Rodney Witherite presented a plaque to our K9 Officer Timothy Keifaber; Chief Witherite highlighted the many accomplishments of Tim and Mariska with the K9 project.

Chief Rodney Witherite also presented a Sampson plaque to Janet Rump and Dennis Confer on behalf of the Sesquicentennial Committee. They in turn presented the plaque to President Greg Miller.

**COMMITTEES:**

**FINANCE:** nothing at this time

**EMA:** The Mayor said the storm bypassed us; a little water but nothing big.

**CEMETERY:** nothing at this time

**ELECTRIC:** nothing at this time

**INSURANCE:** nothing at this time

**PARKS &  
RECREATION:** Denny said the basketball courts are being used at the park.

**PERSONNEL:** nothing at this time

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

**STREETS &  
HIGHWAYS:** Dan said tar & chipping of Borough streets is complete.

**REFUSE:** nothing at this time

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ORDINANCE  
2021-02:**

Dan Folk made a motion, seconded by Ralph Young approving Ordinance 2021-02 which amends Ordinance 1988-01 – Code Enforcement Premises Condition. Jay spoke further on the ordinance and said it is being amended per our Code Enforcement Officer’s request. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor. Motion carried.

**WARRIOR RUN  
HIGH SCHOOL  
HOMECOMING  
FESTIVITIES:**

Dennis Confer made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to approve Warrior Run High School’s Homecoming Parade and Bonfire on Thursday, October 14, 2021, pending a suitable location is found. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor. Motion carried.

**CHILDREN at  
PLAY SIGN:**

Dan Folk made a motion, seconded by Fred Merrill to approve an additional “children at play” sign on Elm Street at the park. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor. Motion carried.

**ADVERTISE  
2022 BUDGET  
SCHEDULE:**

Dennis Confer made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to advertise the 2022 Budget Meeting Schedule. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor. Motion carried.

**REPORTS:**

**MAYOR:** The Mayor said the Police Department continues to keep up the good work.

**POLICE:** written

**FIRE &  
AMBULANCE:** written

**EMERGENCY  
MGMNT.:** nothing to add

**CODE  
ENFORCEMENT:** nothing received

**SOLICITOR:** nothing to add

**BOROUGH  
MANAGER:** written

**PUBLIC WORKS:** written

**BOROUGH  
SECRETARY:** nothing to add

**HISTORICAL  
ASSOCIATION  
MAILING:** Brendi said the Borough was in receipt of 45-50 additional letters regarding the Watsontown Historical Association's purchase of the Santander Bank.

**FYI's:** Brush pickup is scheduled for Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>.  
Chamber's Legislative Breakfast is Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>.  
Kingdom Kidz Grand Opening Event is Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 7:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brendi L. Brooke  
Secretary/Treasurer