

**Watson town Borough
Council Meeting
October 9, 2023**

OPENING: The October 9, 2023 Watson town Borough Council Meeting began at 7:00 pm on Monday, October 9, 2023 in Council Chambers at 318 Main Street, Watson town. 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, Roy Smedley, Ralph Young, Mayor Russell McClintock, , Chief of Police Chris Snyder, Solicitor Jon DeWald, Borough Manager Jay Jarrett and Secretary/Treasurer Brendi Brooke

OTHERS PRESENT: Janet Rump, Shannon Smedley, Julia Erb, Brent Frey, Virginia Wirth

APPROVAL Of MINUTES: Fred Merrill made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to approve the September 11, 2023 Council Meeting minutes and the minutes from the September 25, 2023 Committee Workshop. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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| 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 Fred Merrill to approve the October bills and transfers in the amount of \$330,776.63. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

VISITORS: None

COMMITTEES:

FINANCE: nothing at this time

EMA: nothing at this time

CEMETERY: Jay spoke briefly about Wreaths Across America

ELECTRIC: nothing at this time

INSURANCE: Jay mentioned the refund of dividends from MRM for our Workers' Compensation insurance.

PARKS & RECREATION: nothing at this time

PERSONNEL: nothing at this time

STREETS & HIGHWAYS: nothing at this time

REFUSE: Fred Merrill mentioned the last brush pickup tomorrow and the beginning of leaf collection.

NEW BUSINESS:

MUNICIPAL: Dan Folk made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to approve the listing of Public Works Equipment on Municibid. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2023-05: Dan Folk made a motion, seconded by Roy Smedley to approve Resolution 2023-05 regarding police pension contributions. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

**WABA –
NATIVITY:**

Fred Merrill made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to approve the placing of the WABA nativity. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

**OPEN
CONTAINER –
WINTERFEST:**

Dan Folk made a motion, seconded by Fred Merrill to suspend the open container law for the Winterfest event on December 1st and 2nd. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

REPORTS:

MAYOR:

The Mayor mentioned a broken ankle in a hole near Bob Brown's tree in the park.

POLICE:

written; the Chief said the cruiser is fixed and back in commission

EMERGENCY

MGMNT:

nothing to add

CODE

ENFORCEMENT:

written

SOLICITOR:

nothing to add

**BOROUGH
MANAGER:**

written; Jay thanked Brent, Lisa and Brendi for their support through the recent loss of his mother

PUBLIC WORKS: written

SECRETARY: Brendi read a thank you from the Watsontown Historical Association

WHITE FLAGS: Janet Rump asked about white flags throughout the park along the river.

FYI's: Greg Miller mentioned upcoming events for the remainder of October.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brendi L. Brooke
Secretary/Treasurer