

**Watson town Borough
Council Meeting
March 11, 2024**

OPENING: The March 11, 2024 Watson town Borough Council Meeting began at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers at 318 Main Street, Watson town. Mayor Russell McClintock began with an opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Greg Miller, President, Dan Folk, Vice President (by phone), Todd Moyer, Roy Smedley, Fred Merrill, Mayor Russell McClintock, Chief of Police Chris Snyder, Solicitor Jon DeWald, Borough Manager Jay Jarrett and Secretary/Treasurer Brendi Brooke. Tom Hetherington was absent.

OTHERS PRESENT: Rick Dandes of the Daily Item, Janet Rump, Vera Young, Ralph Young, Joe Sylvester of the Standard Journal, Crystal Moyer, Brent Frey, Dave Powell, Julia Erb and Virginia Wirth

AMEND AGENDA: President Greg Miller said tonight’s agenda needs amended to include a request of a local softball team to use the ballfield at Memorial Park. Todd Moyer made a motion, seconded by Fred Merrill to amend tonight’s agenda. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Merrill	- yes	Smedley	- yes
Hetherington	- absent	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes

All in favor; motion carried.

APPROVAL of MINUTES: Fred Merrill made a motion, seconded by Roy Smedley approving the meeting minutes from the February 12, 2024 Council Meeting. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

BILLS & TRANSFERS: Todd Moyer made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk to approve the bills and transfers for March in the amount of \$305,848.95. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

VISITORS: none

COMMITTEES:

FINANCE: nothing at this time

EMA: nothing at this time

CEMETERY: nothing at this time

ELECTRIC: nothing at this time

INSURANCE: nothing at this time

**PARKS &
RECREATION:** nothing at this time

PERSONNEL: nothing at this time

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

**STREETS &
HIGHWAYS:** nothing at this time

REFUSE: nothing at this time

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

**ORDINANCE
2024-01:** Fred Merrill made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to approve Ordinance 2024-01 establishing the Volunteer Service Credit Program for the Warrior Run Area Fire Department. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

**(6) HANDGUNS
& HOLSTERS
PURCHASED**

Todd Moyer made a motion, seconded by Roy Smedley approving the police department's purchase of (6) handguns and holsters from Atlantic Tactical at a cost of \$5,506.44. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

**NON-JUDICIAL
SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT:**

Todd Moyer made a motion, seconded by Fred Merrill to authorize the execution of Non-Judicial Settlement Agreement with Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Trustee, in order to distribute funds remaining from the Fowler and McClure Cemetery Trust, the Leiser Trust and the Chalfont Trust to the Borough's Perpetual Care Fund. Solicitor Jon DeWald explained the matter further; approximately \$42,000.00 will be transferred to the Borough's Perpetual Care Account. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

**2024 SPRING
CLEAN-UP
DAYS:**

Roy Smedley made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer approving the Borough's 2024 spring clean-up days for April 29th and April 30th. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

**CAWLEY
MOONBEAMS
CARSHOW:**

Todd Moyer made a motion, seconded by Dan Folk approving the Cawley Moonbeams Relay for Life Car Show at Memorial Park on September 14- 2024. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

**USE of
PARK BALL
FIELDS:**

Todd Moyer made a motion, seconded by Fred Merrill to approve the Chosen softball team to use the ball fields at Memorial Park to practice and play some ball games. They will provide proof of liability insurance to the Borough. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

REPORTS:

MAYOR: nothing to add

POLICE: written; nothing to add

**FIRE &
AMBULANCE:** written

**EMERGENCY
MGMNT.:** nothing to add

**CODE
ENFORCEMENT:** written

SOLICITOR: nothing to add

**BOROUGH
MANAGER:** written; Jay reminded Council that he is at the PELRAS Conference on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week

PUBLIC WORKS: written; Brent said the first brush pick-up or 2024 will be Tuesday, April 16th

SECRETARY: Brendi read a card received from Christmas Friends Coordinator, Jennifer Corderman, thanking the Police Department and Borough for helping provide Christmas gifts for Warrior Run Elementary Students.

REMINDER: Bob Frey's vacation scheduled for Thursday, March 21st and Friday, March 22nd was approved at the last Council Meeting. As always, on everyone's next scheduled trash day, it's a double pick up. It will be posted on the Borough's Facebook page and the Borough's website.

FYI's: President Greg Miller read over the following upcoming events:

Planning Meeting - Monday, March 18th

Annual Kevin Johnson Community Easter Egg Hunt - March 23rd

Committee Workshop - Monday, March 25th

Office/Public Works closed - Friday, March 29

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

Respectfully submitted,

Brendi L. Brooke
Secretary/Treasurer