

**Watson town Borough
Council Meeting
April 13, 2026**

OPENING: The April 13, 2026 Watson town Borough Council Meeting began at 7 pm in Council Chambers at 318 Main Street, Watson town. Mayor Russell McClintock opened with prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Janet Rump, Kevin Mertz of the Standard Journal, Randy Minium, Dave Powell and Julia Erb

EXECUTIVE SESSION: President Greg Miller said they had an Executive Session this evening for personnel before tonight's meeting.

APPROVAL Of MINUTES: Tom Hetherington made a motion, seconded by Mark Stankiewicz approving the minutes from the March 12, 2026 Council Meeting and the March 23, 2026 Committee Workshop. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

BILLS & TRANSFERS: Tom Hetherington made a motion, seconded by Roy Smedley to approve April's bills and transfers in the amount of \$437,102.90. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Hetherington	- yes	Stankiewicz	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes
Smedley	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

VISITORS: none

COMMITTEES:

FINANCE: nothing at this time

EMA ADVISORY: nothing at this time

CEMETERY: nothing at this time

ELECTRIC: nothing at this time

INSURANCE: Jay said we received the workers compensation rebate from MRM in the amount of \$23,030.91 based on this past year's employee safety.

PARKS & RECREATIONS: Roy Smedley said the Winterfest registration is now open. Jay said the new playset installation will begin in May; a \$500 donation towards the playset was received from the Lions Club; many commented about how well the mulch looks at the park.

PERSONNEL: nothing at this time

PROTECTION To PERSONS & PROPERTY: Chief Snyder spoke of an accident with a deer on April 4, 2026; the 2022 Ford suffered \$5400.00 in damage; an insurance claim was filed.

STREETS & HIGHWAYS: nothing at this time

REFUSE: nothing at this time

NEW BUSINESS:

EMERGENCY MGMNT. COORDINATOR: Tom Hetherington made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to appoint Brian Harrison as the Borough's Emergency Management Coordinator. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes
Smedley	- yes	Hetherington	- yes
Stankiewicz	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**ELECTRIC
BILLING
CLERK:**

Todd Moyer made a motion, seconded by Mark Stankiewicz to hire Lissacca Goff as the Borough's Electric Billing Clerk to start on 5/4/26 at a rate of \$21.00 per hour. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Smedley	- yes	Hetherington	- yes
Stankiewicz	- yes	Moyer	- yes
Miller	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**ASH STREET
PAVING:**

Tom Hetherington made a motion, seconded by Roy Smedley to advertise for bids to pave Ash Street; bids will be due by 5/11/2026. Bill Buck explained in further detail what areas of Ash Street and said to expect bids to be high due to current oil prices. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Stankiewicz	- yes	Moyer	- yes
Miller	- yes	Smedley	- yes
Hetherington	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**CANCELLED
WORKSHOPS:**

Tom Hetherington made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to cancel the following Committee Workshops: 6/22/2026, 7/27/2026 and 8/24/2026. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Miller	- yes	Smedley	- yes
Hetherington	- yes	Stankiewicz	- yes
Moyer	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**JACOB BYERS
ZACK YETTER:**

Tom Hetherington made a motion, seconded by Mark Stankiewicz to end probationary status for Jacob Byers and Zack Yetter as of 5/1/2026. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Hetherington	- yes	Stankiewicz	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes
Smedley	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**BILL BUCK
AMP TRAINING:**

Todd Moyer made a motion, seconded by Roy Smedley approving Bill Buck to attend AMP line worker training for two non-consecutive Weeks in October at a cost of \$4765.00 plus lodging. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes
Smedley	- yes	Hetherington	- yes
Stankiewicz	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**SHERIFF SALE
17 Liberty Street:**

Roy Smedley made a motion, seconded by Mark Stankiewicz to submit a \$2000.00 deposit to Northumberland County for the sheriff sale of the Kilgus property at 17 Liberty Street. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Smedley	- yes	Hetherington	- yes
Stankiewicz	- yes	Moyer	- yes
Miller	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**KIDS CAFÉ
LUNCH
SPONSORED:**

Tom Hetherington made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to sponsor (3) lunches this summer for Kids Café. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Stankiewicz	- yes	Moyer	- yes
Miller	- yes	Smedley	- yes
Hetherington	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**WABA - MUSIC
IN THE PARK
SPONSORED:**

Tom Hetherington made a motion, seconded by Roy Smedley to sponsor WABA's Music in the Park at a cost of \$200.00. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Miller	- yes	Smedley	- yes
Hetherington	- yes	Stankiewicz	- yes
Moyer	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

WR SENIOR PROCESSION: Tom Hetherington made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer approving Warrior Run's Senior Procession through the Borough on June 4, 2026 at 6 pm. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Hetherington	- yes	Stankiewicz	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes
Smedley	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

AYSO SOCCER: Roy Smedley made a motion, seconded by Mark Stankiewicz Approving AYSO soccer's use of the ballfield at Memorial Park for practice. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Moyer	- yes	Miller	- yes
Smedley	- yes	Hetherington	- yes
Stankiewicz	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

REPORTS:

MAYOR: nothing to add

POLICE: written

FIRE & AMBULANCE: written; Brendi Brooke has been appointed the Fire Department's Secretary/Treasurer

EMERGENCY MGMNT: nothing to add

CODE ENFORCEMENT: written

SOLICITOR: nothing to add

BOROUGH MANAGER: nothing to add

PUBLIC WORKS: written

SECRETARY: nothing to add
COMMENTS & DISCUSSION: Parking at Lingle's/King's Kages and dogs without leashes were mentioned and discussed.
ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brendi L. Brooke,
Secretary/Treasurer