

**Watson town Borough
Council Meeting
May 13, 2024**

OPENING: The May 13, 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: Dan Folk, Vice President, Todd Moyer, Roy Smedley, Fred Merrill, Tom Hetherington, Mayor Russell McClintock, Chief of Police Chris Snyder, Solicitor Jon DeWald, Borough Manager Jay Jarrett and Brendi Brooke, Secretary/Treasurer. President Greg Miller was absent.

OTHERS PRESENT: Janet Rump, Ralph Young, Dave Powell, Crystal Moyer, Brent Frey, Joe Sylvester of the Standard Journal and Julia Erb

APPROVAL Of MINUTES: Fred Merrill made a motion, seconded by Tom Hetherington to approve the minutes from the April 8, 2024 Council Meeting and the April 22, 2024 Committee Workshop. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

All in favor; motion carried.

BILLS & TRANSFERS: Tom Hetherington made a motion, seconded by Roy Smedley to approve the bills and transfers for May in the amount of \$278,494.18. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Hetherington	- yes	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Merrill	- yes
Smedley	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

COMMITTEES:

FINANCE: nothing at this time

EMERGENCY

MGMNT: 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:**

Mayor McClintock said Fire Chief Doug Funk will be coming to municipal meetings in the area to speak for their “Long Range Planning Committee”. They are looking for ways to ensure the sustainability of the Warrior Run Area Fire Department as a volunteer organization and the funding to maintain equipment that routinely needs updated.

**STREETS &
HIGHWAYS:**

Jay said paving is to begin on Elm Street and Dewberry Alley on Thursday, May 16th & continue through Friday, May 17th and Monday, May 20th.

REFUSE: nothing at this time

PROCLAMATIONS: Mayor McClintock made the following proclamations:

- EMS Week – May 19, 2024 through May 25, 2024
- National Gun Violence Awareness Day – June 7, 2024

NEW BUSINESS:

KIDS CAFÉ:

Tom Hetherington made a motion, seconded by Fred Merrill to approve Kids Café’s use of Memorial Park for their annual lunch program from June 3rd to August 21st, 2024. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Moyer	- yes	Merrill	- yes
Smedley	- yes	Hetherington	- yes
Folk	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**COMMUNITY
MOVIE NIGHT:**

Tom Hetherington made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to approve the Haunted Hotel to host a community movie night in the park on May 18th. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Smedley	- yes	Hetherington	- yes
Folk	- yes	Moyer	- yes
Merrill	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**BUILDING CODE
TRAINING:**

Tom Hetherington made a motion, seconded by Todd Moyer to approve the Borough Manager to attend Building Code Training June 4th through June 7th at a cost of \$600.00 plus lodging. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Folk	- yes	Moyer	- yes
Merrill	- yes	Smedley	- yes
Hetherington	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**MUNICIPAL
EMPLOYMENT
LAW
WORKSHOP:**

Tom Hetherington made a motion, seconded by Fred Merrill to approve the Borough Manager to attend the Municipal Employment Law Workshop July 31st and August 2nd at a cost of \$125.00 plus lodging. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Merrill	- yes	Smedley	- yes
Hetherington	- yes	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

**6/10/24
COUNCIL
MEETING
CANCELLED:**

Fred Merrill made a motion, seconded by Roy Smedley to cancel the June 10, 2024 Council Meeting but combine it with the June 24, 2024 Committee Workshop at 7 pm. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Hetherington	- yes	Folk	- yes
Moyer	- yes	Merrill	- yes
Smedley	- yes		

All in favor; motion carried.

REPORTS:

MAYOR: nothing to add

POLICE: written

**FIRE &
AMBULANCE:** written

**EMERGENCY
MGMNT:** nothing to add

**CODE
ENFORCEMENT:** written

SOLICITOR: nothing to add

**BOROUGH
MANAGER:** written

PUBLIC WORKS: written

SECRETARY: nothing to add

COMMENTS: Ralph Young commended Brent Frey and the Public Works Department for the great job done on the railroad bank.

FYI's: Brush Pick-up – Tuesday, May 14th starting at 7 am
Planning Meeting – Monday, May 20th @ 7 pm
Memorial Day – Monday, May 27th – Office & Public Works closed
Committee Workshop – Tuesday, May 28th @ 7 pm

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brendi L. Brooke
Secretary/Treasurer