

**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG  
MAYOR & COUNCIL AGENDA**

**AUGUST 12, 2021 | 7:30 P.M.**

**THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY FOR ALL PARTIES. PUBLIC COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED THROUGH ZOOM OR VIA EMAIL TO THE BOROUGH CLERK. BELOW ARE INSTRUCTIONS:**

**To call into the meeting,** dial 1 (646) 558-8656. It will prompt you for a meeting ID. Type 99501390087#. You do not need a participating ID, just press #.

**To access the meeting using a smart phone or computer,** you can download the **Zoom app** from the app store for free. You have to type in the meeting ID 99501390087 or click on <https://zoom.us/j/99501390087> **Please enter your full name.**

**To submit your public comments in writing,** please mail them in or send an email before 6:00 P.M. by the meeting date to the Borough Clerk at [publiccomment@watchungnj.gov](mailto:publiccomment@watchungnj.gov)

**MAYOR'S STATEMENT:** In order to comply with all NJ Executive Orders and to protect members of the public, this meeting will be held virtually for all parties. Public Comments will be accepted through zoom or by email to the Borough Clerk. For those joining through Zoom, please note that upon arrival you are automatically muted. If you wish to speak during the public portion, you will need to click on the “raise your hand” feature. For those joining us through the conference call line, you will need to press \*6 to unmute yourself. Under the provisions of N.J.S.A.10:4-6 et seq., notice of the time and place of this meeting was given by way of the Revised Annual Meeting Notice to the Courier News, Echoes Sentinel, the Star Ledger, posted at Borough Hall and on the Borough’s website.

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, SERVING HOME AND ABROAD.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Robinson [ ] Goodloe [ ] Eisenberg Knegten [ ] Jubin [ ] Martino [ ] Hayeck [ ]

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

1. Administration & Finance
2. Police
3. Public Works / Buildings and Grounds
4. Public Affairs:
  - Environmental
  - Recreation
  - Historical
  - Board of Health

5. Fire
6. Laws/Ordinances

**REPORTS – OTHER:**

7. Engineer
8. Police Chief

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9. Fire Department
10. Rescue Squad
11. Emergency Management
12. Attorney
13. Clerk
14. Administrator
15. Youth Services
16. Planning Board
17. Municipal Alliance
18. Library Advisory Board
19. Traffic and Beautification

*A public portion is held prior to Council action **for comments of agenda items only**; another public portion is held at the end of the meeting for general discussion.*

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**PUBLIC PORTION / AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

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**DISCUSSION**

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Public Hearing of Ordinance **OR: 21/06** entitled an "**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 28 ENTITLED, "LAND DEVELOPMENT CHAPTER OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG", TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "IMPERVIOUS SURFACE," OF SECTION 28-203, ENTITLED "DEFINITIONS AND DESCRIPTIONS," TO EXCLUDE DECKS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.**"

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE:** Matters listed within this section have been referred to members of the Borough Council for reading and study, are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Council. If separate discussion is desired, any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda by Council action.

Approval of the following Council Meeting Minutes:  
Regular Meeting Minutes

May 20, 2021  
June 17, 2021

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:  
Watchung Library Advisory Board Minutes

May 19, 2021

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Planning Board Meeting Minutes	June 15, 2021
Green Team Meeting Minutes	June 21, 2021
Planning Board Special Meeting Transcript	June 29, 2021
Building Department	July 2021
Tax Collector Report	Second Quarter 2021

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

#38- Borough of North Plainfield, 7/26/21 re: Notice of Introduction, Ordinance No. 21-11 “*An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 4, “General Licensing”, Most Notably by Adding a New Section 4-17, Enacting a Transfer and Use Tax on Certain Classes of Cannabis Businesses within the Geographical Boundaries of the Borough of North Plainfield.*” c: M&C, PB, JD

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**CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:** The resolutions listed below were submitted to the Governing Body for review and will be adopted by one motion.

- R1: Authorizing Purchase Orders over \$2,000 – CSM (*PD-Lenovo Workstation, Desktop*)  
S.E. Rose Trucking & Excavation (*Manhole replacement*)  
Absolute Fire Protection (*FD – apparatus service & parts*)  
Coban Technologies, Inc. (*PD-body worn camera pkg*)
- R2: Supporting the Adoption of Strong Anti-Idling Policies
- R3: Authorizing Extension of Grace Period / Third Quarter Tax Payments
- R4: Authorizing Budget Insertion of Special Item of Revenue (Chapter 159): 2021 Budget  
American Rescue Plan Grant
- R5: Authorizing Budget Insertion of Special Item of Revenue (Chapter 159) 2021 Budget  
Recycling Tonnage Grant
- R6: Authorizing Budget Insertion of Special Item of Revenue (Chapter 159) 2021 Budget  
Alcohol Education, Rehabilitation & Enforcement Fund
- R7: Authorizing Budget Insertion of Special Item of Revenue (Chapter 159) 2021 Budget  
State of NJ Body Armor Grant
- R8: Authorizing Budget Insertion of Special Item of Revenue (Chapter 159) 2021 Budget  
Clean Communities Grant
- R9: Authorizing Refund of Tax Overpayment - 380 Johnston Drive., Block 5201/ Lot 9
- R10: Authorizing Sale of Surplus Property No Longer Needed for Public Use on Online Auction Website
- R11: Authorizing Bill List

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R12: Authorizing the Waiving of Delinquent Interest on Special Assessment Projects

R13: Authorizing and Appointing the Health Officer or Designee as Enforcing Agency of Chapter 18

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**NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:** Items listed below will be individually addressed and acted upon accordingly. Council reserves the right to refer an item to any Committee for further review and discussion.

Introduction of Proposed Ordinance OR:21/09 entitled “**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG CH. 5-12.76 ET SEQ., THEREOF, AN TO FIX AND DETERMINE MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM SALARIES AND COMPENSATION TO BE PAID TO CERTAIN EMPLOYEES.**” Public Hearing to be held on September 9, 2021.

R14: Introduction of Ordinance OR: 21/09 - Min/Max Salary Ordinance

R15: Authorizing Professional Service Contract for Affordable Housing Administrative Agent – CGP&H

R16: Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Somerset for the Construction and Use of a Salt Storage Building

R17: Adopting Policies and Procedures Manuals - CGP&H: Accessory Apartment Manual

R18: Authorizing Side Bar Agreement with PBA Watchung Local #193

R19: Authorizing Appointments to Police Department – Lieutenants Boyle and Zaiton

R20: Authorizing Appointment of Executive Assistant/IT Coordinator – Brian Townley

R21: Authorizing Salary Adjustment of Administrative Assistant – Maria Fittipaldi

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**PUBLIC PORTION - GENERAL DISCUSSION**

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R22: Authorizing Executive Session: Personnel Matters

The Borough Council may take official action on those items discussed in executive session upon completion of the executive session.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting of the Mayor and Council is a Regular Meeting scheduled to be held on September 9, 2021 at 7:30 P.M.