

**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
MAYOR & COUNCIL AGENDA**

JUNE 17, 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

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 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 []

PROCLAMATION Juneteenth Day

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

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REPORTS – OTHER:

7. Engineer
8. Police Chief
9. Fire Department
10. Rescue Squad
11. Emergency Management
12. Attorney
13. Clerk
14. Administrator
15. Wildlife Committee
16. Youth Services
17. Planning Board
18. Municipal Alliance
19. Library Advisory Board

*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.*

PUBLIC PORTION / AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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DISCUSSION

Amendments to Noise Ordinance

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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.

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:

Board of Health Special Meeting Minutes

April 28, 2021

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CERT Meeting Minutes	May 25, 2021
Construction Report	May 2021
Engineers Report	June 1, 2021
Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes	April 26, 2021
Fire Prevention Bureau Report	April & May 2021
Green Team Meeting Minutes	April 23, 2021, May 7, 2021 & May 21, 2021
Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes	March 17, 2021
Plainfield Area Regional Sewerage Authority Meeting Minutes	May 6, 2021
Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes	April 14, 2021

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

- #30- Berkeley Heights, 6/2/21 re: Land Use Ordinance No 10-2021 *“Prohibiting the Operation of Any Class of Cannabis Businesses Within its Geographical Boundaries and Amending Section 6.4.1 of Land Use Procedures”*. C: M&C, PB, JD

- #31- Township of Scotch Plains, 6/8/21 re: Ordinance No. 2021-9 *“Prohibiting All Classes of Cannabis Licensed Businesses In Residential And Downtown Zones; Permitting The Operation of Cannabis Licensed Businesses Classes 1-6 And Consumption Areas Only in the B-3 Zone; and Permitting Licensed Cannabis Business Classes 1,2,3,4 and 6 Only in the M-1 and M-2 Zones”* This ordinance restricts cannabis licensed businesses to certain zones within Scotch Plans. C: M&C, PB, ZB, JD

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 – General Code: 2021 code updates, supplement #1
Winner Ford: PD (2) 2021 White Ford Interceptor SUVs
Absolute Fire Protection: FD – flood light bar for Engine #603
Witmer Public Safety Group: FD– salvage cover, leather hose jacket & clamp
City Connections: Jan to Sept. website services
Estevez Plumbing & Heating LLC: PD Tankless Water Heater
JC Painting Svc, LLC: Arts Center painting & labor

- R2: Authorizing Clerk to Issue Raffle Licenses / Father’s Club of St. Mary Academy

- R3: Authorizing Renewal of Liquor Licenses for 2021 – 2022 Term

- R4: Authorizing Field and Facility Permit Application – Mobus Field, Watchung IDEA & PTO Juneteenth Celebration

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- R5: Authorizing Field and Facility Permit Application – Use of Watchung Lake Gazebo for
Wedding Ceremony on June 25, 2021
- R6: Authorizing Field and Facility Permit Application – Use of Watchung Lake, Mr. B’s Sports Camp
(Fishing Camp)
- R7: Authorize Refund of Overpayment on Special Assessment - 1216 Johnston Drive, block 6403/lot 9
- R8: Authorizing the Appointment of Part-Time Summer Assistant – Nicholas Petersen
- R9: Waiving Delinquent Interest to Multiple Accounts – Upper Drive, Hillcrest Road,
Old Somerset Road and Parlin Lane
- R10: Authorizing Bill List
- R11: Authorizing Extension of Temporary Outdoor Dining
- R12: Authorizing Certification of 2021-2022 Tax Levy - Watchung Board of Education
- R13: Authorizing Certification of 2021-2022 Tax Levy - Watchung Hill Regional School BOE
- R14: Authorizing the Return of Various Escrow Deposits

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.

- R15: Introduction of Ordinance **OR 21/05 – “AN ORDINANCE BY THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY PROHIBITING THE OPERATION OF ANY CLASS OF CANNABIS BUSINESSES WITHIN ITS GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES AND AMENDING SECTION 28-106 OF THE WATCHUNG MUNICIPAL CODE.”** Public Hearing to be held on July 15, 2021
- R16: Introduction of Ordinance **OR 21/06 – “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.”** Public Hearing to be held on July 15, 2021.
- R17: Introduction of Ordinance **OR 21/07 - “ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 2-44 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG AND DISSOLVING THE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE.”** Public Hearing to be held on July 15, 2021.
- R18: Introduction of Ordinance **OR 21/08 – “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NOS. OR:20/06, OR:19/015 AND OR: 18/20, ADOPTING A "REDEVELOPMENT PLAN" FOR A NON-CONDEMNATION AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT CONSISTING OF BLOCK 7402, LOTS 19.01 AND 19.02 AND BLOCK 7403, LOTS 5 AND 10 AND FURTHER IDENTIFIED AS THE "BONNIE BURN ROAD REDEVELOPMENT AREA", AS SHOWN**

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ON THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG TAX MAP IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7.” Public Hearing to be held on July 15, 2021

- R19: Authorizing Release of Performance Surety Bond - 1660 Route 22, Bond #SUR0045218
- R20: Authorizing Reduction of Performance Surety Bond – 1660 Route 22, Bond #SUR0045138
and Filing of Maintenance Guarantee
- R21: Authorizing Salary Adjustment – Theresa Snyder
- R22: Authorizing Contract Expansion for CME Associates – 2021 Roadway Improvements
- R23: Authorizing Appointments of Junior Volunteer Members of the Fire Department –
Michael Mattiassi and Peter J. Bentley

PUBLIC PORTION - GENERAL DISCUSSION

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- R24: Authorizing Executive Session: Personnel Matters and Contract Negotiations

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

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Mayor and Council is a Regular Meeting scheduled to be held on July 15, 2021 at 7:30 P.M.