



Watertown Town Council

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ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Mark S. Sideris,
Council President

Vincent J. Piccirilli, Jr.,
Vice President

Michael F. Dattoli,
Councilor At Large

Aaron P. Dushku,
Councilor At Large

Susan G. Falkoff,
Councilor At Large

Anthony Palomba,
Councilor At Large

Angeline B. Kounelis,
District A Councilor

Lisa J. Feltner,
District B Councilor

Kenneth M. Woodland,
District D Councilor

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2017 AT 6:30 P.M. RICHARD E. MASTRANGELO COUNCIL CHAMBER AGENDA

1. ROLL CALL
2. EXECUTIVE SESSION – 6:30 P.M.
To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate –former east branch library; if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body.
3. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – 7:15 P.M.
4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
5. PUBLIC FORUM
6. EXAMINATION OF RECORDS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
Minutes of the November 28, 2017 Town Council Meeting
7. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
Update and Consideration of Action on Proposed Disposition of Former East Branch Library Property
8. PRESENTATIONS OF PETITIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND SIMILAR PAPERS AND MATTERS
 - A. Acceptance of the Proclamation for Raya Stern Day on December 5, 2017
 - B. Proclamation Honoring the Work of Councilor Aaron P. Dushku
 - C. Proclamation Honoring the Work of Councilor Susan G. Falkoff
9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS
Committee on Personnel and Town Organization Report Regarding the Review of the [Salary of the Town Auditor](#) – Susan G. Falkoff, Chair

ACTION ITEMS:

1. That the Town Council Approve the Town Auditor Receive a 2.25% COLA and 1.5% Performance Increase for FY17, Bringing the Base Salary of \$103,963 to \$107,862 and the Total Salary to \$126,862 That Includes a \$15,000 Stipend for Being the Assistant Town Manager and a \$4,000 Stipend for Sitting on the Retirement Board

10. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Public Hearing and Vote on a Proposed Order Authorizing the Town Treasurer With the Approval of the Town Manager to Borrow and/or Expend Monies in the Amount of \$1,378,599 under Chapter 44, Section 7(7) of the General Laws, or Pursuant to any Other Enabling Authority to [Pay Costs of Designer Services for the Design, Construction, Addition to and/or Renovation of Three Elementary Schools](#), Including the Payment of Costs Incidental or Related Thereto. Any Premium Received upon the Sale of any Bonds or Notes Approved by This Vote, Less Any Such Premium Applied to the Payment of the Costs of Issuance of Such Bonds or Notes, May be Applied to the Payment of Costs Approved by This Vote in Accordance With Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, Thereby Reducing the Amount Authorized to be Borrowed to Pay Such Costs by a Like Amount.
- B. Public Hearing and Vote on a Proposed Ordinance Adjusting the Town Auditor's Salary So That the Town Auditor Will Receive a 2.25% COLA and 1.5% Performance Increase for FY17, Bringing the Base Salary of \$103,963 to \$107,862 and the Total Salary to \$126,862 That Includes a \$15,000 Stipend for Being the Assistant Town Manager and a \$4,000 Stipend for Sitting on the Retirement Board

11. MOTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDER, AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. Resolution Authorizing Acceptance and Expenditure of a Gift of Funds in the Amount of \$2,000 from Watertown Savings Bank to Fund the Purchase of a [Memorial Sign for Firefighter Joseph A. Toscano](#) at the Corner of Merrifield Avenue and Bigelow Avenue; and Refreshments for the Dedication Ceremony to be Held Sometime In or Around March 2018.
- B. An Order to Supplement Prior Borrowing Votes to [Permit the Application of Bond Sale Premium to Pay Project Cost](#)

12. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- A. Committee on Economic Development and Planning Report Regarding [Blighted Properties; Extension of LEED Certifiability; Solar Requirements for New Buildings; and Staging Areas](#) – Susan G. Falkoff, Chair
ACTION ITEM: That the Town Council Proceed with an Amendment to the Watertown Zoning Ordinance to Changing Paragraph 9.03(c)7 Per the Draft Language Provided.

- B. Committee on Education and School System Matters Report Regarding a Reappointment to the Cable Access TV Board of Directors – Michael F. Dattoli, Chair
ACTION ITEM: That the Full Town Council Recommend the Town Manager to [Nominate Two Additional Candidates](#) for the WCA-TV Board of Directors to the Committee on Education and School System Matters for Confirmation Interviews
- C. Committee on Human Services Report Regarding [Youth Shoveling Program](#) – Anthony Palomba, Chair
ACTION ITEM:
1. That the Recreation Director Review the Materials and Report Back to the Committee with a Plan to Organize a Youth Snow Removal Program
2. That the Town Council Refer to the Committee the Discussion of a Volunteer Leaf-Raking Program
- D. Joint Meeting of the Committees on Human Services and Rules and Ordinances Report Regarding [Noise Regulations](#) – Anthony Palomba, Chair, Human Services and Kenneth M. Woodland, Chair, Rules and Ordinances
ACTION ITEM: That the Town Council Request the Town Manager to Instruct the Health Department, Code Enforcement, and Other Relevant Departments in Cooperation with the Town Attorney to Update and Make Comprehensive Changes to the Watertown Code of Ordinances Chapter 95: Noise Regulations and Report Back to the Committees
- E. Committee on Public Works Report Regarding [Ridgelawn Cemetary, Work-Order Tracking, Water Meters, and Mount Auburn Street Project](#) – Aaron P. Dushku, Chair

13. NEW BUSINESS

14. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

Request for Confirmation of Appointments and Reappointments to the Historic District Commission.

15. REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION /REVIEW OF LIST OF PENDING MATTERS

16. ANNOUNCEMENTS

17. PUBLIC FORUM

18. RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT