



**TOWN COUNCIL
WATERTOWN, CONNECTICUT
MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2026
REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 P.M.**

MOTIONS

**WATERTOWN TOWN HALL
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
61 ECHO LAKE RD.
WATERTOWN, CT 06795**

Call Meeting to Order.

1. Chairman Jonathan Ramsay called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Jonathan Ramsay led the pledge of allegiance.

3. Roll Call.

PRESENT: Jonathan Ramsay, Chair
Mary Ann Rosa, Vice Chair
Dan Cocchiola
Tom DeMatteis
Ken Demirs
Robert Desena
Carina Noyd
Robert Retallick
Rachael Ryan

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Mark Raimo, Town Manager
Maria Guerrero, Finance Director

4. Public Participation.

The Town Council invites the public to speak during Public Participation. Please complete and submit a *Watertown Town Council Public Participation* form if you wish to speak at the meeting. Copies are available on the Town's website and at the meeting. Speakers are limited to three minutes each.

5. Minutes.

a. September 10, 2026 –Special Meeting.

Motion: Mary Ann Rosa seconded by Rachael Ryan: I move to approve the Special Meeting minutes dated September 10, 2026 as presented.

Aye: 8 Ramsay, Rosa, Cocchiola, DeMatteis, Desena, Noyd, Retallick, Ryan
Nay: 0
Abstain: 1 Demirs

Motion passes

b. September 21, 2026 – Special Town Meeting

Motion: Mary Ann Rosa seconded by Rachael Ryan: I move to approve the Special Town Meeting minutes dated September 21, 2026 as presented.

Aye: 8 Ramsay, Rosa, Cocchiola, DeMatteis, Demirs, Desena, Noyd, Ryan
Nay: 0
Abstain: 1 Retallick

Motion passes

c. Special 21, 2026 – Regular Meeting

Motion: Mary Ann Rosa seconded by Rachael Ryan: I move to approve the Regular Meeting minutes dated September 21, 2026 as presented.

Aye: 8 Ramsay, Rosa, Cocchiola, DeMatteis, Demirs, Desena, Noyd, Ryan
Nay: 0
Abstain: 1 Retallick

Motion passes

6. Chairman's Report.

a. Correspondence.

1. Letter from Economic Development Commission concerning the Watertown Façade Improvement Program funding.
2. Memorandum from the Superintendent, Lisa Fekete and Business Manager, Maria Kashuba from the Watertown Board of Education transmitting the Board of Education Monthly Financial Reports for August, 2026, dated September 28, 2026.

7. Staff Reports.

- a. Town Manager.
- b. Finance Director

8. Subcommittees.

9. New Business.

- a. Discussion and possible action on the appointment of a Town Attorney.

Motion: Mary Ann Rosa seconded by Tom DeMatteis: I move to go out and seek further interests for other firms for the Town Attorney's position.

Aye: 8 Ramsay, Rosa, Cocchiola, DeMatteis, Demirs, Desena, Noyd, Retallick
Nay: 1 Ryan
Abstain: 0

Motion passes

- b. Consider a resolution authorizing the transfer of funds for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 for the installation of low maintenance ADA Accessible rubber playground safety matting at the Where Angels Play Playground at Veterans Park.

Motion: Mary Ann Rosa seconded by Robert Desena: I move to approve the resolution authorizing the transfer of funds for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 for the installation of low maintenance ADA Accessible rubber playground safety matting at the Where Angels Play Playground at Veterans Park.

Motion passed unanimously

- c. Consider an appropriation from the General Fund in the amount of \$23,800 for the decommissioning, removal and environmental mitigation of two oil storage tanks and installation of high-efficiency propane heating and hot water equipment hooked directly into active on-site propane structure at Crestbrook Park Golf Course Restaurant Facility. Funds to be deposited into a Public Buildings line item determined by the Finance Department for this purpose.

Motion: Mary Ann Rosa seconded by Dan Cocchiola: I move to approve an appropriation from the General Fund in the amount of \$23,800 for the decommissioning, removal and environmental mitigation of two oil storage tanks and installation of high-efficiency propane heating and hot water equipment hooked directly into active on-site propane structure at Crestbrook Park Golf Course Restaurant Facility. Funds to be deposited into a Public Buildings – Maintenance Land and Buildings account 010-50317.014.0000.9010.

Aye: 8 Ramsay, Rosa, Cocchiola, Demirs, Desena, Noyd, Retallick, Ryan
Nay: 0
Abstain: 1 DeMatteis

Motion passes

- d. Consider authorizing an appropriation from the General Fund in the amount of \$877.68 to the Police Overtime Account 010.50130.020.0000.9010. Funds received for participation in Homeland Security activities.

Motion: Mary Ann Rosa seconded by Rachael Ryan: I move to authorize an appropriation from the General Fund in the amount of \$877.68 to the Police Overtime Account 010.50130.020.0000.9010. Funds received for participation in Homeland Security activities.

Motion passed unanimously

- e. Consider a resolution for authorizing the acceptance of a State of Connecticut Department of Housing grant in the amount of \$2,000,000 for the rehabilitation of Watertown Housing Authority facilities and further authorize the Town Manager to execute on behalf the Town any and all documents and agreements required by the Commissioner related to the grant.

Motion: Mary Ann Rosa seconded by Tom DeMatteis: I move to approve the acceptance of a State of Connecticut Department of Housing grant in the amount of \$2,000,000 for the rehabilitation of Watertown Housing Authority facilities and further authorize the Town Manager to execute on behalf of the Town any and all documents and agreements required by the Commissioner related to the grant.

Motion passed unanimously

- f. Consider approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Watertown and Watertown Police Union regarding extra duty work

Motion: Mary Ann Rosa seconded by Tom DeMatteis: I move to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Watertown and the Watertown Police Union regarding extra duty work

Motion passed unanimously

10. Adjournment.

Motion: Mary Ann Rosa seconded by Dan Coccchiola: to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8;27 p.m.

Motion passed unanimously