

**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG**  
**MINUTES**  
**DECEMBER 27, 2012 – 9:00 A.M.**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**

**MAYOR'S STATEMENT:** Mayor Mobus called the meeting to order at 9 A.M. and made the following statement: 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 annual notice to the Courier News, Echoes Sentinel, and Star Ledger, and posted at Borough Hall.

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

**ROLL CALL**

Joren [ P ] Black [ A ] Franklin [ P ] Pote [ P ] Nehls [ P ] Cassidy [ P ]

Also present were Administrator Tom Atkins, Attorney Albert Cruz, Clerk Michelle DeRocco, and Deputy Clerk MaryAnn Hance. Councilman Black arrived at 9:10 A.M.

There was 1 member of the public present.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

1. **Administration & Finance:** No report presented
2. **Police:** No report presented
3. **Public Works:** No report presented
4. **Buildings and Grounds; Recreation:** No report presented
5. **Public Affairs:** No report presented
6. **Fire:** No report presented
7. **Laws/Ordinances:** No report presented

**REPORTS - OTHER:**

8. **Engineer:** None
9. **Police Chief:** None
10. **Fire Department:** None
11. **Rescue Squad:** None
12. **Attorney:** None
13. **Clerk:** None
14. **Administrator:** None

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Approval of the following Council minutes:

None

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:

None

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

None

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

None

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

A Public Hearing on Proposed Ordinance OR:12/17 entitled “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING RULE 7, “STANDING COMMITTEES,” OF THE RULES OF ORDER OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THEBOROUGH OF WATCHUNG TO REMOVE “BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS” AS A SEPARATE STANDING COMMITTEE AND COMBINE IT WITH THE “PUBLIC WORKS” STANDING COMMITTEE.” was held

Councilman Pote requested the Clerk produce an Affidavit of Publication and moved a public hearing be held with a second by Councilman Nehls and upon roll call the vote was as follows: Joren, Franklin, Pote, Nehls, Cassidy, “aye”.

The meeting was open to the public for any questions or comments.

With no one from the public desiring to be heard, Councilman Pote closed the public hearing and moved the following resolution:

R1:12/27/12 Adoption of Ordinance OR:12/17-Amend Code/Rules of Order-Standing

Councilman Nehls seconded the motion and upon roll call the vote was as follows: Joren, Franklin, Pote, Nehls, Cassidy, “aye”.

Councilman Franklin moved the following resolution:

R2: Authorize 2012 Budget Transfer

Councilman Nehls seconded the motion and upon roll call as follows: Joren, Franklin, Pote, Nehls, Cassidy “aye.”

Councilwoman Joren moved the following resolution:

R3: Authorize Shared Services Agreement/Municipal Court – Borough of North Plainfield, Township of Green Brook

Councilman Nehls seconded the motion and upon roll call as follows: Joren, Franklin, Pote, Nehls, Cassidy “aye.”

Mayor Mobus thanked the Council for their decision.

Councilman Franklin moved the following resolution:

R4: Payment of Bills

Councilman Nehls seconded the motion and upon roll call as follows: Joren, Franklin, Pote, Nehls, Cassidy “aye.”

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**PUBLIC PORTION**

No one from the public desired to be heard.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 A.M. to the Call of the Chair, and to the annual Reorganization meeting to be held at Noon on January 1, 2013, and the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on January 10, 2013 at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

*MaryAnn Hance*  
Deputy Clerk