

**TYRONE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 14, 2020 @ 7:00PM**

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The Regular Monthly Council Meeting of the Tyrone Borough Council was held on Monday, December 14, 2020 @ 7:00PM at the Tyrone Borough Municipal Building, 1100 Logan Avenue, Tyrone, PA. Pastor Ken Patterson, Bible Baptist Church, gave the Invocation and Mayor Latchford led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Latchford advised that due to Governor Wolf's latest COVID restrictions, this meeting was available via Facebook Livestream and limited personnel attended the meeting.

Mayor Latchford called the meeting to order and requested roll call. Present: Council members Robert Dollar, Charlie Mills, Ken Patterson, David Snyder, William Wisner and Mayor Latchford. Absent: Council Member Sarah Jane Miller and Tammy Wills. Also present were Borough Manager Ardean Latchford; Solicitor Dan Stants; and Administrative Assistant Kimberly Gurekovich.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Councilmember Bob Dollar would like permission from the Borough to place wreaths on the flag poles at Soldier's Park for the Annual Wreaths Across America program on December 19. Council gave their consensus for this activity.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded the November 9, 2020 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting be approved. Council unanimously approved said motion.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

It was moved and seconded the financial reports for the monthly accounting period ending November 30, 2020 be approved: (1) The Account Balance Report; (2) Statement of Revenues and Expenses; and (3) Cash Disbursement Journal. Council unanimously approved said motion.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

Award of Sand Filters for Community Pool

The Borough accepted bids on December 10 for Vertical Steel High-Rate Sand Filters for the Community Swimming Pool. One bid was received from United Industries in the

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amount of \$41,795. It was moved and seconded that Council approve this award. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Resignation of Chief of Police

The Borough was in receipt of a letter of resignation from John Romeo as Chief of Police, effective December 7. It was moved and seconded that Council accept the letter of resignation. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Request to Hire Part Time Police Officers

Due to the current staffing situation, the Borough Manager requested Council's permission to begin the hiring process for 2 part time police officers. It was moved and seconded for the Borough to move forward with the hiring process. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Request for Street Light Installation – 18th Street & Stone Alley

The Borough is in receipt of a resident request for a streetlight at 18th Street and Stone Alley. It was the consensus of Council to approve this request.

SOLICITOR'S RERORT: The Solicitor had the following to report:

Ordinance No. 1443 - 2021 Compensation

It was moved and seconded that Council approve Ordinance No. 1443, adopting the 2021 Compensation Budget. The Ordinance is outlined below:

“An Ordinance of the Borough of Tyrone, A Home Rule Municipality, Establishing the Compensation of Borough Officials and Employees for 2021; And Establishing An Effective Date”

Council unanimously approved said motion.

Ordinance No. 1444 – 2021 Taxes, Fines, Fees, Etc.

It was moved and seconded that Council approve Ordinance No. 1444, Adopting Taxes, Fines and Fees for 2021. The Ordinance is outlined below:

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“An Ordinance of the Borough of Tyrone, a Home Rule Municipality, Establishing and/or Setting Rates for Various Taxes, Fines Fees, Permits, Licenses and/or Other Charges Imposed By the Borough of Tyrone for 2021; and Establishing an Effective Date.”

Council unanimously approved said motion.

Ordinance No. 1445 – 2021 Budget

It was moved and seconded that Council approve Ordinance No. 1445, adopting the 2021 Budget. The Ordinance is outlined below:

“An Ordinance of the Borough of Tyrone, A Home Rule Municipality Adopting the 2021 Final Budget Appropriating Specific Sums Estimated To Be Required For the Specific Purposes of the Municipal Government Hereinafter Set Forth During the Year, 2021.”

Council unanimously approved said motion.

Ordinance No. 1446 – Appointment of Interim Chief

It was moved and seconded that Council approve Ordinance No. 1446, appointing Jessica Walk as Interim Chief of Police. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Resolution No. 2020-09 – Reappoint Tyrone Borough Authority Member

It was moved and seconded that Council approve Resolution No. 2020-09 reappointing Gary Barr to the Tyrone Borough Authority for a five-year term. Council unanimously approved said motion.

CONSULTING ENGINEER: Council was in receipt of Mr. Nester’s report.

Due to limiting the amount of people at the meeting, Borough Manager Ardean Latchford reviewed Mr. Nester’s report for approval of the following:

It was moved and seconded that Council approve Application for Payment No. 2 for the 9th Street Pedestrian Bridge in the amount of \$20, 480.43. Council unanimously approved said motion.

It was moved and seconded that Council approve Application for Payment No. 3 for the Water Improvement Project in the amount of \$335,249.03. Council unanimously

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approved said motion.

It was moved and seconded that Council approve Change Order No. 1 for the 23rd Street Booster Station to install a pressure control valve system. The Change Order is in the amount of \$7,451. Council unanimously approved said motion.

CODE ENFORCEMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Frazell's report.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Chief Romeo's report.

SEWER DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Harris's monthly report.

WATER DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Ashcroft's monthly report.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Bywater's report.

MISCELLANEOUS

Council member Dollar wished to thank the Contractor for working with the Borough employees on the recent water break on 10th Street.

The Meeting Adjourned at 7:25pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ardean C. Latchford/kdg
Borough Manager