

**TYRONE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 8, 2024 @ 7:00PM**

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The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Tyrone Borough Council was held on Monday, January 8, 2024 @ 7:00PM at the Tyrone Borough Municipal Building, 1100 Logan Avenue, Tyrone, PA. Pastor Ron Baker, Church of the Good Shephard gave the Invocation and Mayor Latchford led the group in the Pledge of the Allegiance.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Latchford called the meeting to order and requested roll call. Present: Council members David Snyder, Robert Dollar, Ken Patterson, Tammy Wills and Mayor Latchford. Absent: Council members Poust, Hunter and Wiser.

Also, present were Borough Manager Ardean Latchford; Solicitor Dan Stants; Sewer Superintendent Jason Harris; Water Superintendent Don Shultz; Code Enforcement Officer Marvin Frazell; Chief of Police Jessica Walk and Executive Assistant Kimberly Gurekovich.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Tony Kost, 5<sup>th</sup> Street**

Mr. Kost was present at the meeting to again voice his opposition to 5<sup>th</sup> Street being made one way. Mr. Kost has lived there for 66 years and does not see any issues other than when school starts and dismisses. Mr. Kost also made some comments regarding the recent traffic study that was done by Lehman Engineering.

There was no further public comment.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of the December 11, 2023 and January 2, 2024 Council meetings. Council unanimously approved said motion.

**APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS**

It was moved and seconded the financial reports for the monthly accounting period ending December 31, 2023, 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**

**Final - Application for Payment – 822-824 Washington Avenue Demolition**

Council was in receipt of the final Application for Payment request for the demolition of 822-824 Washington Avenue in the amount of \$9,096. It has been reviewed by the Borough’s CDBG Grant Coordinator Trina Illig and she recommends approval. It was moved and seconded that Council approve the AFP. Council unanimously approved said motion.

**5<sup>th</sup> Street – One Way Direction of Travel**

At the November Council meeting, Council had requested Solicitor Stants prepare an Ordinance for 5<sup>th</sup> Street to become a one-way street from Washington Avenue to Clay Avenue. This decision was reached based on resident complaints and a traffic study done by Lehman Engineering. After that meeting the Borough office received numerous complaints, concerns, and opposition to this. Borough staff suggested holding off on approving this ordinance while we continued to seek input from the public. Thus, Council had not taken any formal action. This Ordinance is under the Solicitor’s report for Council action.

**Miscellaneous:**

- Christmas Tree pickup January 8-12, 2024, with a reminder that trees are to be free of ornaments and not in bags
- Reservoir Park Reservations, January 12, 2024

**SOLICITOR’S RERORT:** The Solicitor had the following to report:

**Ordinance No. 1475 – One-Way Traffic on 5<sup>th</sup> Street**

Council was in receipt of Ordinance No. 1475, making 5<sup>th</sup> Street one-way travel from Washington Avenue to Clay Avenue. No motion was made.

Councilmember Sndyer stated that this decision was not arrived at lightly. Council and Borough Staff explored what they feel have been all angles to address this situation.

Sue Loose, 527 5<sup>th</sup> Street, voiced a concern for the plows going in the opposite direction while plowing. Her concern is the legalities and safety.

**CONSULTING ENGINEER:** Council was in receipt of Rettew’s Engineering Report.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT:** Council was in receipt of Mr. Frazell’s monthly report.

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**POLICE DEPARTMENT:** Council was in receipt of Chief Walk’s monthly report.

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

**WATER DEPARTMENT:** Council was in receipt of Mr. Shultz’s monthly report.

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:** Council was in receipt of Mr. Bywater’s monthly report.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

Councilmember Snyder suggested the Borough form a Tech Committee. This committee would explore and ensure the Borough is keeping up to date with technology. Mr. Snyder asked Council to think about this and he would like to discuss it at the next meeting.

The Meeting Adjourned at 7:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ardean C. Latchford/kdg  
Borough Manager