

**TYRONE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

MAY 11, 2020 @ 7:00PM

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The Regular Monthly Council Meeting of the Tyrone Borough Council was held on Monday, May 11, 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.

It was noted that due to COVID-19, tonight's meeting is being live streamed on the Tyrone Borough Police Department Facebook Page. Public was not permitted in the building and those in attendance were seated 6' apart to adhere to the Governor's orders of Social Distancing. No department heads were in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Latchford called the meeting to order and requested roll call. Present: Council members David Snyder (by telephone), Ken Patterson, Robert Dollar, Charlie Mills, William Wisser and Mayor Latchford. Absent: Council Member Sarah Jane Miller. Also present were Borough Manager Ardean Latchford; Solicitor Dan Stants; Consulting Engineer Kevin Nester; and Administrative Assistant Kimberly Gurekovich.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mayor Latchford announced an Executive Session was held prior to the Council meeting to discuss real estate.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Devon Henninger, 1407 Pennsylvania Avenue, inquired as to the status of interviews for the vacant Council seat. Interviews are re-scheduled for the June meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded the April 13, 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 April 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

Approval of Bids-Properties in Repository

Council was provided a copy of a bid from the Blair County Tax Claim Bureau for a repository property. The property is located at 1465 Blair Avenue and the bid is for \$250. The Borough will not receive a lot of proceeds from this sale as the amount will be split three ways, however, this will put this property back on the tax records. It was moved and seconded that Council accept this bid. Council unanimously approved said motion.

2019 Annual Audit

Council was provided with the Borough Audit for the year ending December 31, 2019. It was moved and seconded that Council approve the Audit for year ending December 31, 2019. Council unanimously approved said motion.

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

Resolution No. 2020-04–BRAVE-Blair Resilience: Addressing Vulnerability & Exposure

It was moved and seconded that Council approve Resolution No. 2020-04, adopting a hazard vulnerability assessment and mitigation plan entitled Blair Resilience: Addressing Vulnerability and Exposure (BRAVE). Council unanimously approved said motion.

Resolution No. 2020-05 – Extending the Interview Time for Council Vacancy

It was moved and seconded that Council approve Resolution No. 2020-05, granting time extensions for interviews for the Council seat vacated by Terry Richardson. The request for the time extension is due to COVID-19. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Resolution No 2020-06 – Designation of Agent for Disaster Relief

It was moved and seconded that Council approve Resolution No. 2020-06, Designating Agent for Disaster Relief. Council unanimously approved said motion.

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CONSULTING ENGINEER: Council was in receipt of Mr. Kevin Nester's report. Mr. Nester had the following for Council's approval:

WWTP Clarifier Rehabilitation Change Order No. 2 & Request for Final Payment

It was moved and seconded that Council approve Change Order No. 2, decreasing the amount of the contract by \$11,300 and approving Payment Application #6 (final payment) for the project in the amount of \$37,755. Mr. Nester requested the final payment, if approved, be held until the final closeout documents are received by GHD.

This item was not on the Agenda. Mayor Latchford asked for public comment. There being none, Council unanimously approved said motion.

Water Treatment Plant Filter Rehabilitation

The Water Treatment Plant has experienced some problems with the operation of the WTP filters and have determined they need to be repaired. This work was scheduled for 2022 under the Borough's Capital Improvement Project and a permit it needed to complete this work. GHD is presently in the process of applying for a PWS permit to add sodium permanganate, GHD suggested to add this work to the previous requested permit. This will change their existing fee from a not to exceed amount of \$5,000 to a not to exceed amount of \$10,000. It was moved and seconded that Council approve said change. 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

Mayor Latchford asked for Council's permission to place senior banners on the downtown light poles. Council was in agreement to do this. The cost of this project is \$3,800 and a Go Fund Me page has been established.

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The Meeting Adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ardean C. Latchford/kdg
Borough Manager