

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

SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 @ 7:00PM

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The Regular Monthly Council Meeting of the Tyrone Borough Council was held on Monday, September 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 called the meeting to order and requested roll call. Present: Council members Robert Dollar, Charlie Mills, Ken Patterson, David Snyder, Tammy Wills, 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; Chief of Police John Romeo; Water Superintendent Michael Ashcroft; Highway Superintendent James Bywater; Code Enforcement Officer Marvin Frazell; and Administrative Assistant Kimberly Gurekovich.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tyrone Historical Society Donation to Pedestrian Bridge Project

Bob Dollar, President of the Tyrone Historical Society, advised they had held a fundraising campaign for the Pedestrian Bridge project. Mr. Dollar presented a check, in the amount of \$14,500, to the Borough towards the repairs/maintenance of the 9th Street Pedestrian bridge. Council thanked the Historical Society for their donation.

Trina Illig, Blair County CDBG Coordinator

Ms. Illig, Blair County CDBG Coordinator, was present to seek Council approval for the FY20 CDBG allocation. Ms. Illig had received only one request and that was from the Tyrone-Snyder Library for installation of handicap accessible doors at the rear of the Library. Ms. Illig suggested allocating \$10,000 to the Library for this project and the remainder (\$78,322) for housing rehab. This would be enough for two units and Mr. Illig advised there is a waiting list.

It was moved and seconded that Council approve the FY2020 CDBG allocations as Ms. Illig suggested. Council unanimously approved said motion.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded the August 10, 2020 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting be approved. Council unanimously approved said motion.

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APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

It was moved and seconded the financial reports for the monthly accounting period ending August 31, 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

Request for Use of Facilities – Grace Baptist Church

The Borough was in receipt of a request from Grace Baptist Church for use and fee waiver for the Amphitheatre and Pavilion #1, for Revival Services from September 13-16. These services are open to the public. It was moved and seconded that Council approve the use of and waiver of fees for Grace Baptist Church. Council unanimously approve said motion.

Street Paving Program-2020 Liquid Fuels

The Borough accepted bids for the 2020 Street Paving Program. Three bids were received and are listed below:

Glenn O. Hawbaker	\$ 53,273.60
Grannas Brothers	\$ 56,851.20
New Enterprise S&L Co.	\$ 57,029.60

It was moved and seconded that Council approve the low bidder, Glenn O. Hawbaker for the 2020 Street and Alley Program at their bid price of \$53,273. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Additional Info:

- Burgmeier’s Fall Cleanup, September 22, 23 & 24
- Dedication of Park Avenue Playground to John “June” Ott, September 26 @ 2pm
- Trick or Treat is scheduled for October 29, 6-8pm

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

Resolution No. 2020-08 – Donation of Unclaimed Bicycles

It was moved and seconded that Council approve the donation of unused bicycles to Eric Noel, who is a missionary to Belize and often takes bicycles with him on Missions trips. Council unanimously approved said motion.

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

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Chief Romeo’s report. Chief Romeo thanked the public for all the tips called in during the recent drug sweep. Chief advised his department has done more drug work in the last 16 months than has been done in the last 5 years. Chief thanked the AG’s office and Tyrone Borough Officer Barton for their work on this last drug sweep.

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

Councilmember Patterson reminded Council members of the wishes of the person who donated the Reservoir park land to the Borough wherein there was to be no alcohol on these grounds. Council member Patterson is concerned that the Borough granted waivers for a few organizations and believe Council needs to keep with the wishes of the donor. Council members Snyder and Wills said prior waivers have been granted. Mayor Latchford agreed with Council member Patterson.

The Meeting Adjourned at 7:25pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ardean C. Latchford/kdg
Borough Manager