

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

AUGUST 8, 2016 @ 7:00PM

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The Regular Monthly Council Meeting of the Tyrone Borough Council was held on Monday, August 8, 2016 @ 7:00PM at the Tyrone Borough Municipal Building, 1100 Logan Avenue, Tyrone, PA. Mayor Fink led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Peter Dittman, Bald Eagle United Methodist Church gave the Invocation.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Fink called the meeting to order and requested roll call. Present: Council members Courtney Rhoades, Christy Ray, Nate Verilla, Bob Dollar, William Latchford, Charlie Mills, Michelle Miller and Mayor Fink. Also present were Borough Manager Phyllis Garhart; Solicitor Dan Stants; Sewer Superintendent Tim Nulton; Water Superintendent Ardean Latchford; Highway Superintendent Jim Bywater; Consulting Engineer Kevin Nester; Chief of Police John Romeo; Code Enforcement Officer Marvin Frazell; and Administrative Assistant Kimberly Gurekovich.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mayor Fink announced that Council held an Executive Session prior to the meeting to discuss personnel.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

Rita Dick, representative of Christ United Methodist Church presented a check in the amount of \$298 from the Church's Vacation Bible School. This donation is to be used for chairs at the baby pool.

Council member Bob Dollar requested the Borough look into adding an additional handicap parking space in front of the doctors' offices along the 1000 block of Logan Avenue. It was the consensus of Council to have Chief Romeo and Parking Enforcement look into this request.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded the Minutes of the July 11, 2016 Council Meeting be approved. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Council members Miller, Ray, Verilla, Dollar, Latchford, Mills and Fink. Council member Courtney Rhoades abstained.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

It was moved and seconded the financial reports for the monthly accounting period ending July 31, 2016 be approved: (1) The Account Balance Report; (2) Statement of

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Revenues and Expenses; and (3) Cash Disbursement Journal. Council unanimously approved said motion.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

Decker Run Bridge Sewer Line Relocation

Borough Council was in receipt of a proposal from GHD Engineering in the amount of \$23,500 for engineering services for the relocation of a bridge located on Decker Run. This bridge is being done pursuant to the Rapid Bridge Replacement Project. Pursuant to Resolution No. 2016-07, the Borough will be reimbursed 75% of any costs incurred by the Borough. Because this is a time sensitive issue, a consensus of Council was obtained. It was moved and seconded that Council ratify said action. Council unanimously approved said motion.

WWTP Disinfection System Substantial Completion Certificate

Council was in receipt of a letter from GHD Engineering advising Kukurin Contractors has reached Substantial Completion as of June 7, 2016. It was moved and seconded that Borough Council approve the execution of a Certificate of Substantial Completion. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Sewer Main Replacement – Meadow Street

Council was in receipt of a proposal from GHD Engineering for a sewer main replacement at Meadow Street. The engineering proposal is in the amount of \$18,950. It was moved and seconded that Council approve said proposal. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Repository Bid – 243 Pleasant Drive (Logan Ridge Trailer Park)

Council was in receipt of a letter from the Blair County Tax Claim Bureau. The Bureau is in receipt of a repository bid for property located at 243 Pleasant Drive, in the Logan Ridge Trailer Park. The sole bid is in the amount of \$150 and represents the purchase of a vacant trailer with an outstanding balance of \$2,114.42. If approved this would restore the trailer to taxable status. It was moved and seconded that Council approve the sole bidder Thomas McCready, Sr. at a bid price of \$150. Council unanimously approved said motion.

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USDA Avian Influenza Surveillance Program – Waterfowl

The Borough is in receipt of a request from a Wildlife Disease Biologist of USDA Wildlife Service requesting permission to capture ducks at Reservoir Park for disease sampling. This agency has assisted numerous communities with waterfowl issues. The agency would like to do the capture by the end of August. Council members inquired as to how many ducks would be removed. Mayor is in favor of allowing them to take the domestic birds and let the migratory birds. Several council members advised since there is no threat to humans she would like more information before making a decision. Council was not in favor of this, no motion was made.

Award of Bids – WWTP

The Borough was in receipt of two bids for several old/unused tools, equipment and a Chevrolet Blazer. Two bids were received for the Blazer and are as follows:

James Detwiler	\$2,275.00
Dan Sprankle	\$1496.99

It was moved and seconded that Council award the bid to the high bidder James Detwiler at a bid price of \$2,275. Council unanimously approved said motion.

James Detwiler was also the sole bidder for the remaining tools, equipment, etc.

(2) Joy Twistair 120 Gallon 30HP 460 Volt 3-Phase Air Compressors	\$168.00
(1) Ingersoll Rand 80 Gallon 5HP 230/460 Volt 3-Phase Air Compressor	\$ 48.00
(1) CM ½ Ton 480Volt Chain Hoist	\$ 26.00
(1) Calgon Aurora Ultra Violet Unit	\$216.00
(1) Wacker Brand Tamper Model # BS45Y	\$148.00
(1) Two Door Cabinet 6'6" high, 2' wide, 2'8" Deep	\$ 4.00
(7) Metal Frame Chairs	\$ 7.00
(1) Motorola Base Station and Mic	\$ NO BID
(1) Motorola Mobile Unit	\$ NO BID

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(1) Small Snow Blower	\$ 22.50
(1) Refrigerator	\$ 7.50

It was moved and seconded that Council award the above items to the sole bidder, James Detwiler. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Community Coordination & Outreach Meeting

On August 3, 2016, FEMA held a meeting with municipalities affected by the preliminary flood maps received in April of this year. Mrs. Garhart reviewed a list of “To-Do” items for communities. A total of ten municipalities have been affected by this. Mrs. Garhart stated the Borough has been working on this for 6 years. Once this is resolved the Borough will have to adopt a new flood ordinance.

Electric Rates

Council previously granted the Borough Manager permission to secure rates for electricity. URA is a company that assists the Borough in obtaining rate quotes.

It was moved and seconded that Council ratify the Borough Manager’s decision for electing new electric rates at a reduction of \$172,924.53. This items was not on the Agenda. Mayor Fink called for public comment. There being none, Council unanimously approved said motion.

Other Items in Progress:

- The Borough is in receipt of its 2016 CDBG Allocation in the amount of \$95,058
- The Borough has been reimbursed for all funds expended for the Rain Garden located on 10th Street. Additional plantings will be done in September/October.
- Due to recent dry weather, the Borough has issued a burn
- Upcoming Events were also noted.

SOLICITOR’S RERORT: Solicitor Stants had nothing to report.

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CONSULTING ENGINEER: Council was in receipt of Mr. Nester's report. Mr. Nester advised dates have been scheduled for October for training of Wastewater Operators toward their certifications.

Mr. Nester advised the replacement UV Disinfection system is projected to come in \$30,000 under budget.

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 his officers along with Kim Gurekovich, Rita Dick, Michelle Miller and Robin Latchford for their help in putting together National Night Out. Two hundred hot dogs were served along with chips, ice cream, drinks and prizes. Thank you notes will be sent to all who donated.

Chief advised two plaques have been placed in the Police Department, honoring longtime police secretary Linda Montanaro and former part time police officer Christopher Amerine.

SEWER DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Nulton's monthly report. Mr. Nulton advised the UV was running very well. Mr. Nulton further stated this will save a lot on their electric bill.

WATER DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Latchford's monthly report. Mr. Latchford advised the Borough's water supply is in good standing. As included in his report to Council, Mr. Latchford explained the recent water break on Clay Avenue pulled water from the entire system.

Mr. Latchford also advised of a recent incident at the pool where an individual had collapsed and needed emergency help. Pool employees Sarah Cox and Haley Wagner were instrumental in aiding in this situation. Council Member Michelle Miller bought plaques, honoring their quick action in an emergency situation. The plaques will be displayed at the Community Pool.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Bywater's monthly report. Mr. Bywater advised all five sirens located throughout the Borough have now been repaired and are in working order.

The Borough was in receipt of a \$3,000 grant from Blair County Recreation for benches around the pond at Reservoir Park. The benches have been installed.

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MISCELLANEOUS:

Mayor Fink stated he is glad to see people starting to take care of their weeds.

The Meeting Adjourned at 7:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Phyllis J. Garhart/kdg
Borough Manager