

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

JANUARY 12, 2015 @ 7:00PM

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The Regular Monthly Council Meeting of the Tyrone Borough Council was held on Monday, January 12, 2015 @ 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 Kenneth Patterson, Bible Baptist Church gave the Invocation.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Fink called the meeting to order and requested roll call. Present: Council members Christy Ray, Ray Detwiler, Mark Black, Courtney Rhoades, Terry Richardson, Mark Kosoglow, William Latchford, and Mayor Fink. Also present were Borough Manager Phyllis Garhart; Director of Administration Brandi Miller; Solicitor Daniel Stants; Sewer Superintendent Tim Nulton; Water Superintendent Ardean Latchford; Highway Superintendent Jim Bywater; Chief of Police John Romeo; Consulting Engineer Kevin Nester; Code Enforcement Officer Patrick Rabits; and Administrative Assistant Kimberly Gurekovich.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor Fink presented Proclamations to Firefighters David Lynch, Todd Weakland and Billy McElwain for their part in the life saving efforts during a water rescue of a woman who drove in to the Paper Mill Dam on November 28th. Firefighters Lynch and Weakland were on hand to accept their Proclamation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Adam Long & Mike Grimm, American Eagle Paper Mill

Mr. Adam Long, Keller Engineers, and Mr. Mike Grimm, American Eagle Paper Mill, were present to request to Council Conditional Approval for the plan revisions to the American Eagle Paper Mill Land Development Plans. Approval would be conditioned upon developer reducing the quantity of storm water runoff from the site and minimizing the size of storm water pipe proposed along 16th Street. The Borough engineer will grant final approval on meeting the conditions of approval. It was moved and seconded that Council approve the Conditional Approval for the Paper Mill. This item was not on the Agenda; Mayor Fink called for public comment. There being none, Council unanimously approved said motion.

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Mayor Fink introduced Ms. Judy Ward who was in attendance at the meeting. Ms. Ward wanted to attend to introduce herself to the Council. There was no further public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded the Minutes of the December 8, 2014 Borough Council meeting be approved. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Council members Black, Ray, Latchford, Detwiler, Rhoades and Mayor Fink. Council members Richardson and Kosoglow abstained.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

It was moved and seconded the financial reports for the monthly accounting period ending December 31, 2014 be approved: (1) The Account Balance Report; (2) Statement of Revenues and Expenses; and (3) Cash Disbursement Journal. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Council Members Black, Ray, Latchford, Detwiler, Rhoades and Mayor Fink. Council members Richardson and Kosoglow abstained. The motion carried.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

TACO Request for Radio Auction

Council was in receipt of a request from TACO for a donation for their annual radio auction. It was moved and seconded that Council approve the donation of a Family Pool Pass for the 2015 Pool Season. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Washington Avenue – Speed Reduction

At the request of Borough Council, a request was made to PennDOT for a traffic study of Washington Avenue to see it would merit a reduction in the speed limit. This study was done and approved by PennDOT. Should Council wish to approve this, they can do so under the Solicitor's report.

Young Oakes Brown & Company

Mrs. Garhart was in receipt of a Letter of Agreement with Young Oakes Brown and Company, for auditing services for the years 2014, 2015 and 2016. It was moved and seconded that Council approve said three year Agreement. Council unanimously approved said motion.

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Flood Mitigation Update

All field work has been completed for the storm water mapping and data is being assembled into one map. This is anticipated to be completed by February-March, at which time it will be sent to the Borough for final review. The Corps has developed cost estimates for several alternatives for mitigating flooding episodes. This work should also be completed February-March. FEMA Mapping are still being reviewed in an effort to possibly remove additional buildings from the flood zone.

Newly Appointed Fire Chief – Neptune Fire Company

The Borough was notified that Alan Walls was elected as the new Fire Chief for the Neptune Fire Company. Mr. Walls was sworn in by Mayor Fink on January 9, 2015.

Reservoir Park Reservations

Reservations for Reservoir Park will be accepted beginning January 21st at 8am.

SOLICITOR'S RERORT: Solicitor Stants presented the following for Borough Council:

Proposed Ordinance No. 1361 – Speed Reduction-Washington Avenue

“An Ordinance Of The Borough Of Tyrone, A Home Rule Municipality, Amending the Code Of Ordiances Of The Borough Of Tyrone Specifically Chapter 190 Entitled “Vehicles And Traffic”, Section 190-53, Entitled “Schedule I: Speed Limits”; And The Ordinance Reaffirms Section 190-53 As Amended; Contains Repealer And Severability Provisions And Establishes An Effective Date.”

It was moved and seconded that Council approve Ordinance No. 1361. Council unanimously approved said motion.

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

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Chief Romeo's report. Chief advised they had a taser discharge while assisting the PA State Police. The assailant was placed under arrest. Chief also advised the guns that were purchased with donated funds arrived earlier today. They will be locked up until the Firearms Policy is approved.

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SEWER DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Nulton's monthly report. Mr. Nulton advised the sale of nutrient credits is not in demand.

WATER DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Latchford's monthly report. Mr. Latchford advised the freezing and thawing of water lines is beginning to take place with such fluctuation in temperatures.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Bywater's monthly report. Mr. Bywater asked for approval to purchase a salt spreader, in the amount of \$8,985. It was moved and seconded that Council approve said request. Mayor called for public comment since it was not on the Agenda. It was noted that this was included in the 2015 Highway Budget. Council unanimously approved said motion.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Councilmember Rhoades inquired as to any comments regarding the parking regulations recently implemented along W. 15th Street. Borough staff advised they have received good feed back since this has been implemented.

Mayor Fink announced the Manager has requested an Executive Session following the meeting.

The Meeting Adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Phyllis J. Garhart/kdg
Borough Manager