

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

July 11, 2011 @ 7:00PM

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The Regular Monthly Council Meeting of the Tyrone Borough Council was held on July 11, 2011 at 7:00PM at the Tyrone Municipal Building, 1100 Logan Avenue, Tyrone, PA. Mayor Fink led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and Reverend Norman Huff gave the Invocation.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Fink called the meeting to order and requested roll call. Present: Council members Jennifer Bryan, Mark Kosoglow, William Latchford, Christy Ray, Patricia Stoner and Mayor Fink. Absent: Council Members Steve Hanzir and Courtney Rhoades. Also present were Borough Manager John Cornell; Solicitor Larry Clapper; Sewer Superintendent Tim Nulton; Highway Superintendent Jim Bywater; Water Department Employee Dave Lynch; Chief of Police John Romeo; Consulting Engineer Kevin Nester; Finance Director Phyllis Garhart and Administrative Assistant Kimberly Gurekovich.

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

COMMENDATION – OFFICER MCMURRAY

Chief Romeo read a Commendation and presented it to Officer McMurray. Officer McMurray was credited with quickly bringing a violent situation to an end with no injuries to officers, the suspect or the general public.

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION

Mayor Fink presented a Proclamation to Mr. Robert Hileman, President of the Colonel Crowther Foundation. Colonel Crowther Days will be held on August 6 and 7, 2011 at Reservoir Park.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Josh Framel, Gamesa

Mr. Framel was present to request an Amendment to the existing site plan which was presented at the May, 2011 meeting. It was moved and seconded that Council approve said motion. 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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Mr. Framel also explained the reason for the removal of the windmill blades. Mr. Framel explained the Tyrone project will not start until fall and the blades were needed at another project.

Resident Concerns

A concerned resident was present and addressed Council regarding Reservoir Park. While the resident commended the employees on a job well done at the park, he also advised that people are not cleaning up after their pets, the flagpole needs painted and he feels the police need more of a presence through the park, as he feels drug deals are taking place there. When asked if the resident contacted the police department, he indicated that he had not.

Councilmember Jen Bryan suggested that the Borough look into receptacles for animal waste. This has previously been brought to Council's attention. The Staff will look into receptacles for this purpose.

Mr. John Ferner, President of Team Ten LLC

Mr. Ferner, President of Team Ten, LLC (Paper Mill) was present to request that Council reconsider the increase in sewer rates that the Mill is going to have as it will have a considerable impact on the Mill's monthly expenses.

William Cambridge

Mr. Cambridge was present to address Council regarding a police matter. Council asked Chief Romeo to look into Mr. Cambridge's issues and report back to the Borough Manager.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the April 11 and May 9, 2011 Borough Council meetings be approved. Council unanimously approved said motion.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

It was moved and seconded that the financial reports for the monthly accounting periods ending May 31 and June 30, 2011 be approved: (1) The Account Balance Report; (2) Statement of Revenues and Expenses; and (3) Cash Disbursement Journal. Council member Bryan inquired as to a purchase for shirts for the pool personnel. Mr. Cornell

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advised that the Borough purchased each pool employee 2 shirts to be worn during working hours. This will help make them more identifiable to the public and give a more professional appearance. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Young, Oakes, Brown & Company 2010 Borough Audit

Mr. Daniel Bradley of Young, Oakes, Brown and Company was present and reviewed the 2010 Borough Audit with Council. Mr. Bradley thanked Council and Borough staff for their continued confidence and support in their firm. It was moved and seconded that Council approve the 2010 Borough Audit. Council unanimously approved said motion.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

Hoopsfest – Waiver of Vendor Fees

Council was in receipt of a request from the Hoopsfest Committee to waive vendor fees for Hoopsfest, scheduled for July 16, 2011, as has been done in the past.

Approval of Fire Police Candidates

Council was in receipt of three requests for Fire Police members. The names are Calvin Brower, Carl Rhodes and John Eirich, Jr. Approval would be contingent upon background checks.

Arts Council Concerts

Council was presented with information regarding the summer Concerts at the Park. The concerts have been scheduled and it is before Council to approve the funding for the same. The amount of \$1,500 was included in the 2011Budget.

It was moved and seconded that Council approve the following: Hoopsfest request, approval of Fire Police candidates and the Arts Council funding. The Arts Council funding was not on the Agenda. Mayor Fink called for public comment. No comments were made. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Survey – Patt Property-10th Street

Council was in receipt of a request to approve a survey for the land recently donated to the Borough by the Morris Levine family. The property is on 10th Street near the VFW.

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It was moved and seconded that Borough Staff move forward with a survey. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Tyrone Day @ DelGrosso's Park – Borough Sponsorship

In years past the Borough has been a sponsor of the Tyrone Days at DelGrosso's park, held the first Friday in August. It was moved and seconded that the Borough donates a Family Swim Pass for 2012 as well as a \$100 contribution towards the same. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Design Engineer for Pennsylvania Avenue Streetscape

The Borough was previously awarded grant funding for additional streetscape work on Pennsylvania Avenue. The Borough accepted Statements of Interest on June 16th. These were reviewed by CET Engineering and they recommend P. Joseph Lehman Engineers. The Borough must also execute a Transportation Reimbursement Agreement. It was moved and seconded that Council approve P. Joseph Lehman as the Design Engineer and authorize execution of the Reimbursement Agreement. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Bid Awards – Chemicals, Patch Paving, Gasoline, Diesel, Police Car

Sale of 2007 Dodge Charger Police Car

The Borough accepted bids on June 9, 2011 for the sale of a 2007 Dodge Charger Police Car. Three bids were received. They are as follows:

Sulli Motors	\$ 3,080
Emergency Remarketing	\$ 2,272
M. R. Parillo	\$ 4,001

It was moved and seconded that Council approve the sale of the car to M. R. Parillo, Hagaman, NY, at their bid price of \$4,001. Council unanimously approved said motion.

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Award of Bids – Patching for Borough Street Cuts

The Borough accepted bids on June 9, 2011 for patching of Borough Street Cuts. Two bids were received. They are as follows:

Duey Paving	\$ 75/square yard
Hawbaker	\$ 130/square yard

It was moved and seconded that Council award the bid for *Patching of Street*

Cuts to the low bidder, Paving, at their bid price of \$75,square yard. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Award of Bid – Chemicals, Gas, Stone, Etc.

The Borough accepted bids on June 9, 2011 for Various Materials, i.e., chemicals, unleaded gas, diesel fuel, stone and lime. We recommend award to the following:

Univar	Liquid Caustic Soda	\$ \$2.79/gal	Water
	Fluoride	\$ 4.15/gal	Water
	Liquid Chlorine	\$.4343/lb	Water
	Sodium Bicarbonate	\$.2590/lb	Water
	Liquid Stern Pac	\$ 2.60/gal	Water
Brenntag	Sodium Hypochlorite	\$.134/gal	Sewer
	Potassium Permanganate	\$ 2.6750/lb	Sewer
Delta Chemical	Poly Aluminum Chloride	\$ 1.747/gal	Sewer
Greer Industries	Quicklime	\$ 142/ton	Sewer
Sheetz	Unleaded Gasoline	\$3.79/gal	
Kwik Fill	Diesel Fuel	\$3.32/gal	

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New Enterprise:	ID2 Wearing	\$ 64.20/ton
	FJ1 Wearing	\$ 76.20/ton
	BCBC	\$ 52.55/ton
	2PD	\$ 81.45/ton
	#2	\$ 8.80/ton
	#2RC	\$ 6.30/ton
	#3A	\$ 8.80/ton
	#4	\$ 8.80/ton
	#1B	\$ 9.50/ton
	Type 6-S Anti-Skid	\$ 9.50/ton

It was noted that some items awarded may not have been the lowest quote but some vendors provided pricing on a chemical that was not in the specifications and/or the cost and manpower to pick it up.

It was moved and seconded that Council award the items as presented by the Manager. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Approval of 3 Year IT Service Plan – PC Works

In an attempt to control service costs, it is recommended that the Borough upgrade their IT Service plan with PC Works to Gold Support. This is a 3-year plan and a onetime cost of \$1,190. It was moved and seconded that Council approve said Agreement. Council unanimously approved said 3-year service plan.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Mr. Cornell advised that the Pennsylvania Association of Boroughs (PSAB) is suggesting that Borough Councils create a Junior Council Person Program. Council was presented with some information. Council was in favor of this program and asked Mr. Cornell to move forward with this.
- It has been suggested that the Borough create a micro-loan program utilizing a portion of the Community Improvement Funds from Gamesa. The concept is for the Borough to provide low interest loans to Borough businesses and/or residents. Council was provided with a copy of the same type program used by the City of Altoona. Council requested that the Manager proceed in gathering information regarding this program.
- Two progress meetings have been held regarding the Washington Avenue Streetscape project. The Contractor, M & B is at or ahead of schedule for their December, 2012 completion date.

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- Tyrone Borough will be hosting the next South Central Counties Borough's Association Dinner at LaScalia's in Pinecroft on Thursday, July 21, 2011. Anyone interested in attending should contact Kim.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

It was moved and seconded that Council remove 4 Fire Police from their duties, as permitted by Ordinance No. 1310. The persons to be removed are Ralph Stimer, Tom Feters, Larry Cliber and Eugene Zimmerman. This item was not on the Agenda. Mayor Fink called for public comment, however there was none. Council unanimously approved said motion.

CONSULTING ENGINEER: Consulting Engineer Kevin Nester reviewed his report with Borough Council.

CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

Council was provided with a list of permits for May and June, 2011.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of the monthly Police report. Councilmember Bryan inquired as to the Borough's bike patrol. Chief advised that Officer Lutz, Potts and Dawes are qualified for bike patrol however, Officer Lutz now has the K-9, Officer Potts is part time and works with the evidence locker and Officer Dawes works mostly midnight shifts. Council member Ray asked why there are not more K9 activities in Tyrone. Chief advised that they are trying to get the dog more involved in car stops. Other entities contact the Borough for our K9 unit frequently.

Chief also reminded everyone that when and if you see something happening, citizens are urged to call 911 at that moment and time. Several weeks after an incident happens does not help the police department in an investigation.

Council members commended Chief on a job well done and for his extensive reports.

Request for Private Handicap Parking Space

Council was in receipt of a request for a private handicap parking space for 1408 Bald Eagle Avenue. Chief Romeo interviewed the resident at this location and verified information that was provided on the application. Chief Romeo recommends that Borough approve this request. Council member Bryan inquired as to the fact that there is off street parking available. It was noted that these requests are considered on a case by case basis and all applicants are interviewed by the Police Department to

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determine the necessity of the request. It was moved and seconded that Council approve said request. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Council members Ray, Kosoglow, Latchford, Stoner and Mayor Fink. Nays: Council member Bryan. Motion carried.

SEWER DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Nulton's monthly report. Mr. Nulton advised that they would be acting on the Gannet Fleming report at the Authority meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 12, 2011.

WATER DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Lynch's monthly report. Mr. Lynch advised that Altoona Water Authority has removed 2 remaining hydrants. All hydrants on Washington Avenue are now in service.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Bywater's monthly report. Mr. Bywater's report also contained a request for the purchase of street signs. Due to new regulations, street name signs within a 35 MPH speed zone are to have 6" lettering instead of the 4" that our signs currently have. The estimated cost is \$3,000 and can be purchased with Liquid Fuels money. It was moved and seconded that Council approve said request. Council unanimously approved said motion.

EMA DIRECTOR: Mr. Jay Young advised Council that he has all the components to install a communications radio for the EMA Department. Mr. Young also suggested that the Borough purchase water gauges to be utilized during water events. Mr. Young advised that the State is now watching for drought areas and he will keep the Borough Manager informed. Mr. Young also advised that he would like to run a test of the new emergency notification system. Mr. Young wants to make sure the public is kept up to date as to what to do should an event occur.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Mayor Fink thanked the Fire Chiefs that were present for the assistance that they provide for the Borough as well as their hard work and dedication for a volunteer position.
- Councilmember Bryan thanked the staff for the new Payment Box. Mr. Cornell advised that it is being used daily.
- The Borough is in receipt of a request from the rotary to tear down the fence at Railroad Park and replace it with plantings. Council's consensus was to allow the Rotary to undertake this project.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:45PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

John V. Cornell/kdg
Borough Manager