

# TYRONE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

## MINUTES

May 15, 2025 at 7:00 PM

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Eric Dial, Mayor

Gloria Furr, Mayor Pro Tem, Post 4

Jessica Whelan, Post 1

Dia Hunter, Post 2

Billy Campbell, Post 3

Brandon Perkins, Town Manager

Dee Baker, Town Clerk

Dennis Davenport, Town Attorney

Also present:

Phillip Trocquet, Assistant Town Manager

Sandy Beach, Finance Manager

Randy Mundy, Police Chief

Eric DeLoose, Lieutenant

Charles Clark, Sergeant

Doug Morris, Corporal

Kyle Johns, Officer

Mr. Perkins was absent.

### I. CALL TO ORDER

### II. INVOCATION

### III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS: *Comments are limited to three (3) minutes. Please state your name & address. Comments that require a response may not be answered during this time. The Council or staff may respond at a later date.*

### V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the agenda.

Motion made by Council Member Campbell, Seconded by Council Member Hunter.

Voting Yea: Council Member Campbell, Council Member Furr, Council Member Whelan, Council Member Hunter.

### VI. CONSENT AGENDA: *All matters listed under this item are considered to be routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.*

1. Approval of March 20th and May 1, 2025, minutes.

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

Motion made by Council Member Furr, Seconded by Council Member Whelan.

Voting Yea: Council Member Campbell, Council Member Furr, Council Member Whelan, Council Member Hunter.

## **VII. PRESENTATIONS**

2. Presentation of a proclamation in recognition of May 18th - 24th, 2025, as National Public Works Week. Eric Dial, Mayor

Mayor Dial read the proclamation. Mr. Langford accepted the proclamation on behalf of his department.

3. A proclamation in honor of Peace Officer Memorial Day. Eric Dial, Mayor

Mayor Dial read the proclamation. Chief Mundy and the Officers accepted the proclamation.

## **VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

## **IX. OLD BUSINESS**

## **X. NEW BUSINESS**

4. Consideration to award project PW-2025-01, the 2025 Asphalt Resurfacing project to Summit Construction and Development, LLC. For the base bid amount of \$866,743.47. Scott Langford, PE Public Works Director & Town Engineer

Mr. Langford stated that the resurfacing projects would include LMIG 2024 and LMIG 25. Among the roads for resurfacing would include Drumcliff, Yeats Ct., Kylemore Pass and Kylemore Ct., Shamrock Industrial Blvd., Mallory Ct., and McCarthy Ct. Funding would come from the General Fund, LMIG, and the 2023 SPLOST fund.

A motion was made to award the 2025 Asphalt Resurfacing project PW-2025-01 to Summit Construction & Development, LLC, and for the Mayor to execute the agreement for the base bid sum of \$866,743.47.

Motion made by Council Member Campbell, Seconded by Council Member Furr.

Voting Yea: Council Member Campbell, Council Member Furr, Council Member Whelan, Council Member Hunter.

5. Consideration to award Engineering Services for project PW-2025-14, the 2025 Stormwater Structure Maintenance project to Goodwyn Mills Cawood, LLC for the amount not to exceed \$18,000. Scott Langford, PE Public Works Director & Town Engineer

Mr. Langford stated that through stormwater quality and catch basin issues, staff asked Goodwyn Mills Cawood, LLC, for a proposal for sealing around pipes for 58 stormwater structures, bidding costs, and construction administrative services. Funding would come from the General Fund. Council Member Whelan inquired if the 58 structures needed repair or were just on the list to be inspected. Mr. Langford shared that the 58 were on the list of the required 5-year stormwater inspection list and in need of repair.

A motion was made to award the 2025 Stormwater Structure Maintenance project PW 2025-14 for engineering services to Goodwyn Mills Cawood, LLC, and for the Mayor to execute the agreement not to exceed \$18,000.

Motion made by Council Member Furr, Seconded by Council Member Campbell.  
Voting Yea: Council Member Campbell, Council Member Furr, Council Member Whelan, Council Member Hunter.

6. Consideration to award the 2025 Right-of-way Mowing and Grounds Maintenance project, number PW-2025-08, to A Abby Group, Inc. for the amount of \$249,250. Scott Langford, PE Public Works Director & Town Engineer

Mr. Langford stated that the current right-of-way mowing, and grounds maintenance contract expires on June 30, 2025. RFPs were received in April for 26.7 acres of Town-owned property and 24.8 centerline miles of ROW. Four firms were evaluated by a selection committee and AAbby was ranked the highest for an annual cost of \$249,250. The other bids were from Russell Landscape Group for \$296,000, Yellowstone Landscape for \$325,000, and LaGrange & Maintenance for \$196,000. The companies were ranked according to an established criterion. He stated that funding would come from the General Fund and the Parks and Recreation Fund.

Council Member Campbell asked if AAbby increased their cost from last year. Mr. Langford shared that they did, by \$45,000. Council Member Furr inquired about the low bid from LaGrange Landscape & Maintenance. Mr. Trocquet explained that a few of their items, such as the mowing of certain Town parks, were at a lower cost.

Council Member Campbell inquired about the performance bond. Mr. Langford stated that it was 2% and was included in the bid. Council Member Furr was satisfied with AAbby and added that LaGrange Landscape & Maintenance was not considered local.

A motion was made to award the Right-of-Way Mowing and Grounds Maintenance project number PW-2025-08, to A Abby Group, Inc., and for the Mayor to execute the contract for \$249,250.

Motion made by Council Member Hunter, Seconded by Council Member Campbell.  
Voting Yea: Council Member Campbell, Council Member Furr, Council Member Whelan, Council Member Hunter.

7. Consideration to award the 2025 Fertilization and Weed Control project, number PW-2025-09, to TruGreen Limited Partnership for the amount of \$10,360. Scott Langford, PE Public Works Director and Town Engineer

Mr. Langford stated that the fertilization and weed control contract would expire on June 30, 2025. RFQs were received in May for Handley Park, Dorothea Redwine Park, Shamrock Park, the Museum, Library, Veterans Park, and Town Hall. TruGreen was the only submission for \$10,360. He shared that the proposal was fair and reasonable. The funding would come from the General Fund and Parks and Recreation. He added that the contractor did not increase their cost this year. Council Member Campbell clarified that the Town had utilized TruGreen for many years and was satisfied with their service.

A motion was made to award the Fertilization and Weed Control project PW-2025-09 to TruGreen Limited Partnership and have the Mayor execute the contract for \$10,360.

Motion made by Council Member Campbell, Seconded by Council Member Furr.  
Voting Yea: Council Member Campbell, Council Member Furr, Council Member Whelan, Council Member Hunter.

**XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** *The second public comment period is for any issue. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes. Please state your name & address. Comments that require a response may not be answered during this time. The Council or staff may respond at a later date.*

**XII. STAFF COMMENTS**

Chief Mundy approached Council with a service agreement for fugitive transport. He stated that the fugitive who impersonated a police officer and robbed a Town business was in Virginia. The current cost of transporting the fugitive, including two officers and hotel, would be approximately \$1,300. St. Joseph Detention Center transports fugitives from surrounding states using a van to drop off many transports to different jurisdictions. The cost for their travel is \$1 per mile, costing the Town for this transport, \$482. Council Member Hunter thanked Chief Mundy for being creative and being cost conscience.

A motion was made to approve the service agreement with St. Joseph Detention Center for fugitive transportation for \$482 and for Mayor Dial to execute the agreement.

Motion made by Council Member Campbell, Seconded by Council Member Furr.  
Voting Yea: Council Member Campbell, Council Member Furr, Council Member Whelan, Council Member Hunter.

Ms. Baker thanked Officer Penny Mentch for detecting work being performed at a new business location, which was reported to our building officials.

Mr. Trocquet updated Council on the sewer spill within the River Crest subdivision. He shared a timeline. From 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. last Friday, the flow was stopped and was repaired by 1:00 a.m. Saturday morning.

He thanked the Public Works Department, Roderick Jones, Tucker Hembree, and Cody Kelley for being on scene and for their assistance. He also thanked Scott Langford and Curtis Carson for contacting all contractors in a timely manner. He added that because of the speedy and efficient response of everyone, the Environmental Protection Division (EPD) would not be issuing a fine.

However, due to the spill, monitoring will be required over the next year as part of our emergency management program. He added that those services have already been procured through Integrated Science and Engineering.

Mr. Langford thanked Piedmont Paving, Rylander Septic, and RCS Industrial and Environmental for their quick response. He also thanked the Public Works crew, along with Mr. Carson, Phillip Trocquet, and Brandon Perkins, for their leadership and administrative work with EPD. Mr. Trocquet also thanked Mr. Langford for his expertise in dealing with the situation. Both agreed that through great leadership and management, the situation was managed well.

Ms. Beach announced that the annual Budget Workshop would be held next Thursday morning at 9:30 a.m.

### **XIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council Member Campbell asked for an update on code enforcement. Mr. Trocquet stated that he met with Mayor Dial today regarding code enforcement cases and added that staff were working with SAFEbuilt and their officer. He shared that he had a meeting with Mr. Paul Hardy from SAFEbuilt next week.

Council Member Whelan encouraged everyone that Memorial Day was coming up and to remember those who have fought and who have fallen to keep us all safe.

Council Member Hunter gave a shout-out to all 5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> graders who were graduating this month.

Council Member Furr gave a shout-out to her daughter, Tracy Furr-Pierce, who was retiring as a teacher after 30 years of service.

Mayor Dial thanked Mr. Davenport for his dedication to the Town during his time of the loss of a family member.

**XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**XV. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made to adjourn.

Motion made by Council Member Campbell.

Voting Yea: Council Member Campbell, Council Member Furr, Council Member Whelan,  
Council Member Hunter.

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Eric Dial, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dee Baker, Town Clerk