

TYRONE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

October 17, 2024 at 7:00 PM

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 Manager
Randy Mundy, Police Chief
Sandy Beach, Finance / HR Manager
April Spradlin, Court Clerk
Eric DeLoose, Police Lieutenant

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.*

Mayor Dial stated that a discussion would take place under Council comments for residents in attendance to discuss the Dogwood Trail golf cart connection.

Sandy Dow who lives on Swanson Road discussed the speed signs on Swanson Rd. Mr. Perkins stated that they were in stealth mode, gathering data. She also discussed the annual Wreaths Across America recognition. Ms. Dow requested that the back restrooms at the Museum be repaired.

Doug Snowden who lives on Creggan Hill Ct. shared his discontent with having restricted golf cart access to Peachtree City via Dogwood Trail.

Cara Cherry who lives on Meadowood Lane also shared her discontent regarding golf cart restrictions to Peachtree City.

Mara Smith who lives on Winfair Drive also shared her discontent regarding golf cart restrictions to Peachtree City.

Amanda Tucker who lives on Tullamore Trail shared her discontent regarding golf cart restrictions into Peachtree City.

Joe G. who lives on River Dance Way spoke regarding golf cart connections on Dogwood Trail.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the agenda.

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.

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 minutes from October 3, 2024.
2. Approval to renew the Justice One/Courtware Records Management Software agreement and transition to their new platform
3. Approval of an update to the Tyrone Municipal Court Bond Schedule
4. Approval to renew the probation contract to Professional Probation Services for Tyrone Municipal Court
5. Approval to appoint Jim Strickland Law Firm as the Indigent Defense Attorney for Tyrone Municipal Court from January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025
6. Approval of a proposed "Peace Pole" donation from the Rotary Club of Tyrone to be placed at Veteran's Park.

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

7. Employee Service Recognition for Town Manager Brandon Perkins for 25 Years of Service to the Town. Eric Dial, Mayor

Mayor Dial thanked Mr. Perkins for his 25 years of service. Mr. Perkins stated that it was a pleasure working for the Town.

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

8. Public hearing for the proposed 2024 millage rate to remain at 2.889 - Brandon Perkins, Town Manager

Mr. Perkins explained that staff proposed that the millage rate remain the same for the 17th year in a row at 2.889 mills. Mr. Perkins gave a presentation which is attached.

Mayor Dial opened the public hearing for anyone who wished to speak in favor.

No one spoke.

Mayor Dial opened the public hearing for anyone who wished to speak in opposition.

No one spoke.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

9. Consideration of a request from AMWaste to implement a rate increase, based on the Consumer Price Index, from \$63.87 per quarter to \$65.85 per quarter. Brandon Perkins, Town Manager

Mr. Perkins explained the AMWaste contract regarding rate increases according to the Consumer Price Index.

Council Member Campbell inquired about other waste vendors. Mr. Perkins stated that all the rates researched were higher than AMWaste.

A motion was made to approve the AMWaste quarter rate increase according to the Consumer Price Index from \$63.87 to \$65.85.

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.

10. Approval of an update to the Town's Social Media policy. - Brandon Perkins, Town Manager

Mr. Perkins explained that the Town's Social Media policy had not been updated since 2010. He removed the definitions and updated the language. He explained that the Town's website was the main source of information.

He added that staff would not engage citizens that act poorly on social media but would properly inform the public.

Mayor Dial encouraged the public to always reach out to Council, Management, and staff with any questions they may have via, phone, email, or in person.

A motion was made to approve the comprehensive update to the Town's Social Media policy as written.

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

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

11. Consideration to Award Task Order 11: 2025 Asphalt Resurfacing, Project No: PW-2025-01 of the 2021 Transportation Engineering Services project to POND, Inc. Scott Langford, Town Engineer / Public Works Director

Mr. Langford stated that the Asphalt Resurfacing Project included the resurfacing of several streets and the replacement of four culverts.

Council Member Campbell inquired how the streets were chosen. Mr. Langford stated that he used the 2021 Pavement Condition Index report. Council Member Campbell then inquired about the contingency fee. Mr. Langford stated that a portion of the project may be in the CSX right of way and could require assistance.

A motion was made to award Task Order 11:2025 Asphalt Resurfacing; Project No: PW-2025-01 to POND, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$99,259.75 plus a contingency for CSX coordination if required at \$16,259.50.

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

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.*

Mara Smith returned for solutions on the Dogwood Road cart path connection issue. Mayor Dial reminded residents that it would be discussed under Council comments.

XII. STAFF COMMENTS

Ms. Baker reminded everyone of early voting taking place at 945 Senoia Road every day except Sunday, October 27th, through Friday, November 1st.

Ms. Beach announced that the final Millage Rate public hearing would be held on Thursday, October 24th at 6:00 p.m. and the adoption would be at 6:30 p.m.

XIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Dial informed everyone regarding the facts about Dogwood Trail being a truck route, speed limits and included some history. He stated that Tyrone was not built as a golf cart community. He discussed speed limits, options, and police implementation for safety.

Mr. Davenport recalled that a blanket ordinance was created for golf carts to be allowed on most residential roads with speed limits of 35 mph and below. It also listed roads that were not permitted, including Dogwood Trail.

Council Member Hunter thanked citizens for coming to the meeting with solution suggestions.

Council Member Campbell mentioned many safety concerns and young drivers.

Council Member Whelan also shared her concerns regarding safety.

Chief Mundy discussed the crossing option and signage. He also discussed the history and concern for safety on Dogwood Trial.

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 8:18 p.m.

By: _____
Eric Dial, Mayor

Attest: _____
Dee Baker, Town Clerk