

# TYRONE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

## MINUTES

December 05, 2024 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:

Fayette County Development Authority Representative Board Member/Treasurer, Tracy Young.

### 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 Furr, 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 November 21, 2024.
2. Approval to re-appoint Mr. Tracy Young to serve as the Town's representative on the Fayette County Development Authority Board of Directors for a four-year term (2025 – 2028. Eric Dial, Mayor
3. Approval of a resolution authorizing the Town of Tyrone's participation in an amicus brief in the Chang v. City of Milton appeal. Brandon Perkins, Town Manager

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

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.

Mayor Dial thanked Mr. Young for his commitment to the Town.

## **VII. PRESENTATIONS**

4. Service Recognitions: Sandra Beach 15 Years; Cayla Banks 10 Years

Mr. Perkins recognized Ms. Beach for her fifteen years of service to the Town and Cayla Banks for her ten years. He stated that Tyrone had the best employees in the business, and the ladies were no exception. They both wore many hats. It was an honor to work with them.

## **VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

## **IX. OLD BUSINESS**

5. Approval of a correction to revisions made to the Golf Cart Ordinance on November 7, 2024. Brandon Perkins, Town Manager

Mr. Perkins explained that a staff member noticed the legal team referred to Section 36-75(j), instead of the correct Section, 36-75(g) of the recently approved Golf Cart text amendment. He recommended that the Ordinance be rescinded and that the corrected version be approved.

A motion was made to rescind the vote taken at the November 7, 2024, meeting approving the Golf Cart Ordinance text amendment.

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.

A motion was made to adopt the Golf Cart Ordinance in the correct form to amend the current language.

Council Member Whelan noted her comments from the November 7, 2024 Council Meeting.

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

## **X. NEW BUSINESS**

6. Approval of a new State-required (HB 451) First Responder PTSD Insurance program through MetLife with an annual premium of \$2,368.00. Brandon Perkins, Town Manager

Mr. Perkins informed everyone that the State recognized that military soldiers often acquired PTSD from their active duty and that police officers could experience the same PTSD during their years of service. He added that recently signed House Bill 451 required municipalities to provide additional benefits to officers requiring mental health treatment. He stated that following the bidding process, he recommended additional funding from the Public Safety General Fund for a MetLife annual premium of \$2,368 for supplemental mental health coverage. He added that the funding would act as a supplement to the current mental health coverage the Town offered.

A motion was made to approve the minimum First Responder PTSD Insurance plan through MetLife for an annual cost of \$2,368 for the calendar year of 2025.

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.

## **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 informed Council that he interviewed two potential police officers. He would be making an offer to one candidate tomorrow. Atlanta Police Department made the other candidate an offer they could not refuse.

Chief Mundy shared that each year through the rotation of vehicles, cars were either surplus or auctioned. He requested that this year, they be donated to Fayette County which was opening a police academy in January. He added that each municipality in the County would have the opportunity to place their candidates in the academy. He added that the item would be on the next agenda for approval consideration. Mayor Dial gave thanks to Sheriff Babb.

Mr. Perkins shared that staff had received calls about a homeless encampment behind the BP gas station on Tyrone Road. Staff researched and contacted the parent company Green Oil. They did not have permission for the encampment, and it was a zoning violation. This was private property and Green Oil representatives would be visiting the property and processing the situation.

Mr. Perkins stated that Architect Mr. Don Whitten from Context Design, LLC, was present with any questions regarding the Shamrock Park pavilion. Mr. Trocquet facilitated discussions regarding the placement of the stage.

Mr. Trocquet directed everyone to the submitted printed variations and the variables involved. Mr. Whitten shared that he was proud that the Town took so much interest in the placement and agreed that it should be in the corner of the park, not centered in front of the pond. The two possibilities were, if facing the pond from Senoia Road, in the left corner of the park or slightly to the right of that location.

Council Member Whelan was pleased with the placement to the left and requested the opinions of the steering committee members. Council Member Hunter requested that the stage be lowered by half the distance. Mr. Whitten agreed to some lowering and size modifications as the pavilion was large for a park that size. Council Member Campbell wished to keep the same size and same height of the pavilion.

A motion was made to locate the pavilion as recommended in the far north corner.

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

### **XIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council Member Whelan thanked Recreation, Police, and staff for a successful Christmas Market event.

Mayor Dial shared that during Peachtree City's workshop this morning, Council agreed to vote to reopen Crabapple Road to golf carts only, at their December 19, 2024, Council meeting. They agreed to collect data through the summer. He stated that Mayor Learnard and two Council Members agreed and two opposed the reopening.

A discussion ensued regarding data recording methods and whether to join Peachtree City or gather our own data.

A motion was made to direct staff to research methods for collecting data at the cart path entrance into Peachtree City via Crabapple Road.

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

Council Member Campbell thanked Mayor Dial for his attentiveness to the matter throughout the year. Mayor Dial also thanked Council Member Hunter and Whelan and Council for their contributions to the matter. Mayor Dial stated that it had been a long difficult task, however, the temporary win was for Lily Huelfer.

#### **XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made to approve the Executive Session minutes from the November 21, 2024 meeting.

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.

#### **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 7:40 p.m.

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

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