

TYRONE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

July 17, 2025 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:

Sandy Beach, Finance Manager

Randy Mundy, Police Chief

Jake Canter, Environmental Specialist

Absent: Councilman Hunter, Mr. Perkins, and Mr. Langford.

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.*

Mr. Will Wynn, who lives on Windchime Way, spoke regarding cart path connections. He requested on behalf of himself and his Lake Windsong neighbors that the Town lower the speed limit to 35 mph on Senoia Road near Dogwood Trail, making golf cart travel easier to the Maple Shade connection to Peachtree City.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the agenda.

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

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

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 the June 19 and June 26, 2025 minutes.

2. Approval of a resolution authorizing the Town of Tyrone's participation in an amicus brief in the Chang v. City of Milton Supreme Court (Georgia) case.
3. Approval to purchase a 2025 Ford Police Interceptor from Wade Ford under State Contract for \$50,670.00, and to have this vehicle administratively equipped for use by 144th Marketing Group for \$6,180.00. Total cost: \$56,850 and not to exceed: \$58,000.00

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

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

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

VII. PRESENTATIONS

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

4. Consideration to Award Task Order 14: 2026 Asphalt Resurfacing Project - PW-2026-01 of the 2021 Transportation Engineering Services contract with POND, Inc. Phillip Trocquet, Assistant Town Manager

Mr. Trocquet stated that the project included asphalt resurfacing for Park Drive, Handley Court, Taylor Ridge, Donegal Drive, Wickham Drive, Brunswick Drive, Arbor Crest, and Dover Chase. Funding would come from the General Fund, LMIG Grants, and SPLOST.

A motion was made to award Task Order 14:2026 Asphalt Resurfacing Project PW-2026-01 to POND, Inc., not to exceed \$66,519.65.

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

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

5. Consideration to award purchase of a 2025 Chevrolet Silverado 3500 with Service Body to SouthTowne Chevrolet in the amount of \$60,457.00. Phillip Trocquet, Assistant Town Manager

Mr. Trocquet shared that the current Ford Ranger needed to be replaced, and a replacement was budgeted for. South Towne Chevrolet was the lowest quote at \$60,457 for a Chevrolet 3500 with a service body. He added that Lights and decals would be added. Funding would come from the General Fund. The state contract was for much more than South Towne. Council Member Campbell asked what budget line the lights and decals would come from. Mr. Trocquet stated that it would come from vehicle maintenance and repair.

A motion was made to award the Public Works 2025 Chevrolet Silverado 3500 with a service body for \$60,457 to South Towne Chevrolet.

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

6. Consideration to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract with Atlas Technical Consultants for Construction Material Testing Services for the Shamrock Park Pavilion Project. Phillip Trocquet, Assistant Town Manager

Mr. Trocquet explained that for the construction of the Shamrock Park pavilion, SAFEbuilt would perform basic inspections. Further technical and structural inspections were required from a specialised firm. Funding would come from the Community Development (Planning/Zoning) budget. Staff recommended Atlas Technical Consultants. He explained that the geotech and engineering inspections would be performed by South Tree, their subcontractor and engineer; however, the Town would hire Atlas to audit their work as an added measure. It would be budgeted through technical services.

Council Member Furr began a discussion regarding fees. Mr. Trocquet explained that they offered an estimate of \$16,216 based on a schedule of values and a normal project schedule. Council Member Campbell questioned why the cost was not included in the entire cost of the project. Mr. Trocquet stated that the cost was budgeted for through technical services. It was a required service, and South Tree would be in conflict by hiring a third party. Council Member Campbell shared his disappointment that the funding was not initially discussed. Mr. Trocquet stated that staff was putting measures in place to prevent the same problems that Peachtree City was currently dealing with. Any further costs would come from audio or video upgrades.

Council Member Campbell asked if the Handley Park public works building would need the same inspections. Mr. Trocquet stated that it did not; most of the building was pre-constructed, however he would speak with Mr. Langford regarding that. Council Member Furr asked for the line item. Mr. Trocquet stated that additional funding was placed under technical services under Planning/Zoning for this purpose.

Council Member Whelan inquired about the engineering services. Mr. Trocquet stated that staff did have civil and transportation engineering services on call, however, not structural engineering firms. Mayor Dial inquired about the inspections. Mr. Trocquet explained that there were 20 different inspection stages and referred to pages 41 - 43. Mr. Davenport clarified that the firm gave an estimate of \$16,216 according to their schedule. This could change if the project took longer, it was only an estimate.

A motion was made to authorize Mayor Dial to execute a contract with Atlas Technical Consultants to perform construction material testing services for the Shamrock Park Pavilion, including all inspections.

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

7. Consideration to approve the alcohol license fee for an off-premises catering license.
Phillip Trocquet, Assistant Town Manager

Mr. Trocquet presented that the fees were previously established at \$1,000 for malt beverages and wine, and a \$2,000 fee for malt beverages, wine, and distilled spirits.

It is only available to existing alcohol license holders as an appendage. They would still have to apply for the license, the special event permit, and meet the criteria, including distance requirements. He stated that since businesses had not taken advantage, he suggested lowering the fees to \$500 for malt beverages and wine, and \$1,000 for malt beverages, wine, and distilled spirits. Businesses would still pay the \$50 special event permit fee each time they apply.

Council Member Campbell made a motion to approve the fees for an off-premises alcohol catering license: \$500 for beer and wine, and \$1,000 for beer, wine, and distilled spirits. The motion dies for lack of a second.

A motion was made to keep the fees as they currently are.

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

Voting Yea: Council Member Furr, Council Member Whelan

Voting Nay: Council Member Campbell. Motion passed.

- X. **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.*

XI. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Trocquet introduced Mr. Jake Canter, the new Environmental Specialist. Everyone welcomed Mr. Canter.

XII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Campbell asked for updates on the Sandy Creek multi-use path and the Shamrock Industrial Park emergency exit.

Mr. Trocquet shared that the Sandy Creek path design was at 15% completion; however, the project will take coordination between Fayette County and the Fayette County Board of Education regarding a smooth entrance onto the campus and a crossing on Jenkins Road. He stated that staff was hoping for additional funding from the County on the SPLOST-funded project.

Mr. Trocquet stated that staff would soon present the Cresswind neighborhood association with a draft agreement that, when signed, would come to Council for approval. The design was currently at 60%. When the agreement is approved, Keck and Wood would then complete the design so construction could begin.

He anticipated that the project would be completed this fiscal year. Council Member Whelan inquired about the path from Maple Shade to Crestwood Road. Mr. Troquet stated that now that the Dogwood Road paving project was complete, the Dogwood Road design was at 90% and Crestwood Road was in the property acquisition phase, which may come to Council at the next meeting for consideration.

Council Member Whelan invited everyone to attend the Back-to-School County Prayer Event. It would take place on all county public school campuses on August 3rd from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Mayor Dial shared that he was approached by a Coweta County resident who often visited the Tyrone, county, and Peachtree City libraries. He gave a shout-out to the Tyrone Library staff, who are their favorite library. Mayor Dial thanked the library staff for doing an awesome job.

Mayor Dial began a discussion regarding the forthcoming millage rate public hearings. He reminded everyone that Tyrone's millage rate had not increased for 17 years, and that due to the impact of House Bill 581, changes would need to happen within the next couple of years. Changes could include major budget cuts or an increase in the millage rate. Mayor Dial stated that the last thing that Council wanted to do was to raise the millage rate. He asked staff to make the presentation during the public hearings and give the public as much information as possible. All agreed that Mr. Perkins had accomplished that by speaking on the issue several times during public meetings. Council Member Whelan agreed that continued information on the impact of HB581 was important.

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made to move into Executive Session for two items of threatened litigation.

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

A motion was made to reconvene.

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

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Motion made by Council Member Whelan.

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

By: _____
Eric Dial, Mayor

Attest: _____
Dee Baker, Town Clerk