

TYRONE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

October 03, 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:

Sandy Beach, Finance / HR Manager

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.*

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the agenda.

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.

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 September 19, 2024
2. Approval of an Eagle Scout project proposal by Life Scout Caleb Hudson (Troop 79) to install a Little Library near the big playground at Shamrock Park. - Brandon Perkins, Town Manager
3. Consideration to approve a contract with Tetra Tech, Inc. for Debris Monitoring Services. Scott Langford, Public Works Director

4. Consideration approving a contract with Ceres Environmental for Debris Removal Services. - Scott Langford, Public Works Director

A motion was made to approve the consent 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.

VII. PRESENTATIONS

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

IX. OLD BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

5. Consideration to authorize the mayor to execute a contract with TSW design for professional services associated with zoning ordinance modifications. Phillip Trocquet, Assistant Town Manger

Mr. Trocquet stated that Council had directed staff to make changes to the Town Center Mixed Use zoning ordinance to include their concerns regarding use types and classifications, consistent with their visions for downtown. Staff recommended looking at all associated ordinances to ensure a comprehensive approach. He added that there was funding in the planning and zoning budget for professional assistance in developing code modifications to the downtown overlay, the town center mixed-use zoning, and associated land development ordinances. It would include an investigation of performance-based development options, standardized percentage limitations, and other advanced zoning regulations that were currently not in the ordinance. The amount of funding was \$12,000 that could be used, however, he believed that all would not be used. He recommended approval.

Council Member Whelan asked if the method of payment was pay-as-you-go. Mr. Trocquet stated that it was. He added that different types of professional services would be utilized for the project. Council Member Campbell asked if Mr. Trocquet would be working closely with them. He stated that he would and that they would be working with many sections of the zoning ordinance along with the land development ordinance. Council Member Campbell inquired about a timeline. Mr. Trocquet stated that it should be approximately six months. Mayor Dial asked if he and each Council Member would have three work sessions with TSW. He Trocquet shared that they would.

A motion was made to authorize Mayor Dial to execute a contract with TSW Design for professional services associated with zoning ordinance modifications not to exceed \$12,000.

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

Mayor Dial recognized Life Scout Caleb Hudson from Troop 79 who was in attendance.

Mr. Perkins announced that the Sons of the American Revolution wished to donate a "liberty" tree to Veterans Park. He added that the Princeton Elm tree would be presented at the Veterans Day program on November 11th at 11:00 a.m. He shared that the elm tree (liberty tree) represented a place of protest in Boston Massachusetts under British rule in the 1700's.

A motion was made to accept the Princeton Elm tree donation from the Sons of the American Revolution to be placed at Veterans Park on Veterans Day, November 11, 2024.

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.

Mr. Perkins assured Council that the tree would be properly watered when planted.

Mr. Perkins stated that early voting for the November 5th election would begin on October 15-18 from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., then on Saturday, October 19th from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on Sunday, October 20th from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., then Monday through Friday, October 21-25 from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Saturday, October 26th from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and Monday through Friday, October 27 - November 1 from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Early voting would occur at the former Police Department located at 945 Senoia Road across from Town Hall.

Mr. Perkins announced that the three Millage Rate public hearings were forthcoming. Staff would propose the same rate at 2.889 mills as for the past sixteen years. Although the millage rate would remain the same, there would technically be a tax increase. The first public hearing would be on Wednesday, October 16th at 9:00 a.m., the second would be Thursday, October 17th at 7:00 p.m., and the third would be Thursday, October 24th at 6:00 p.m. with a vote at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Perkins announced the 49th annual Founders Day would be this weekend, beginning with the Strongman Competition at 5:00 p.m. and Action Wrestling at 6:30 p.m.

On Saturday, the day would begin with a 5K race at 7:30 a.m., a parade at noon, and the festival opening at 12:30 p.m. with fireworks closing the day at 8:00 p.m. He added to expect traffic delays and road closures during the 5K and parade.

Mr. Perkins shared that the Tyrone 101 program was going well and that the wrap up night would be October 21st at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor and Council (no quorum) and all departments.

Mr. Trocquet shared that the final LCI public engagement session would be held at Founders Day on Saturday, during Founders Day. He invited citizens to stop by and give their input downtown from the red light to Crestwood Road, Arrowood Road, and Commerce Drive. Citizens were urged to submit their comments. The final design would follow later.

XIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Furr thanked Ms. Sandy Dow and Ms. Amy Finocchiaro for taking food to people in need from the storm in Homerville, Georgia.

Council Member Whelan inquired about the placement of the formerly discussed speed signs. Mr. Trocquet stated that it was on Public Works' list for the next week or two.

Council Member Furr inquired about the strip of land in the rear of Shamrock Industrial Park to be used as an emergency entrance and exit only. Mr. Perkins stated that there was a smaller strip between Tyrone and Peachtree City within the Cresswind subdivision that the HOA owned. It was understood that the Town would be able to use the property, however within that small strip was a mound of dirt and debris that needed to be removed and a dip that required repair. He added that if the HOA did not allow Tyrone the right to use that strip the issue would be mute.

Mr. Davenport stated that the subdivision was put in place with the agreement for the Town to use the easement. The residents do not have a choice. Mr. Perkins shared that knowing that staff would need to meet with the HOA, funding for that potential project was not in the budget. He added that he would meet with Mr. Davenport to discuss the issue further. Council Member Hunter shared that he would reach out to those he knew in Cresswind.

Council Member Furr inquired if Tyrone Road was becoming a four-lane road soon. Mr. Trocquet stated that no, there were no future plans for a four-lane road. Council Member Furr mentioned that a possible turn lane was being constructed. Mr. Trocquet confirmed that the QTS data center was constructing two turn lanes on Tyrone Road. He added that GDOT was planning future intersection improvements at Tyrone Road and Highway 54.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made to approve the Executive Session minutes from September 19, 2024.

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.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn.

Motion made by Council Member Furr.

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

By: _____
Eric Dial, Mayor

Attest: _____
Dee Baker, Town Clerk