

TIONESTA BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
December 3, 2024 - 5:00 PM

Being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 5:00 PM by Council President, Dennis W. O’Toole. Those in attendance were:

Dennis W. O’Toole, President	Bernadette K. Holzer
Thomas L. Mohny	Jamie L. Say
M. Rowan Rose	Judith M. McDaid, Mayor (via Telephone)
Cindy Crytzer, Secretary	Mary Ann Stanziano, Admin. Assistant

Also in attendance was resident Bryan Gorman & Ralph Zoerner, III with Waste Management (WM).

Public Comment: Mr. Zoerner explained that WM is going to Cart Service for residential trash collection. Due to the shortage of CDL drivers, smaller employee pool, and employee injuries, WM is moving all residential curbside pickup accounts to Cart services. It will give the community a cleaner look and WM is providing the carts at no additional charge to the Borough. If a resident’s cart is broken, it will be replaced at no charge. Small businesses that put their trash out for curbside pickup will also get a cart. If a resident is unable to get their cart to the road, the truck driver will pickup at the house as long as the resident provides a doctor’s note to the Borough or WM stating that he/she is unable to push or pull the cart to the street. 96-gallon carts will be delivered to the residents. If someone wants a smaller cart, they must notify WM or the borough office to trade their 96-gallon cart for a 35-gallon cart. Cindy will be putting out a Request for Proposals/Bids (RFP) in the spring for trash collection services. Mr. Zoerner stated that WM would not be bidding unless the borough used the carts and, at that time if WM was the successful bidder, the borough would have to pay for the carts. Rowan Rose moved to accept Waste Management’s proposal for cart service, 2nd by Jamie Say, motion carried.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Mohny to approve the November 19, 2024 Council minutes, 2nd by Bernadette Holzer, motion carried.

Bills: November bills and bill list reviewed. A motion was made by Jamie Say to approve payment of the November, 2024 bills, 2nd by Rowan Rose, motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Old Business:

- **GIS Mapping:** Data being entered into DiamondMaps.
- **Enforcement Notices:** 204 Sherman St. – Email from solicitor dated 12/2/24 to Cindy reviewed. Alyce Bush will be contacting everyone who has expressed an interest in purchasing the property and asking them to submit a bid for the property. The estate will then sell the property to the highest bidder. Cindy will work with the person(s) who are interested in purchasing the property to address the property violation; 103 May St. – Demo in process; 624 Elm St. – Nothing new; 142 Elm St. Curiosity Shop – Demo in process; 106 S. Elm St. – Permits for demolition in process; 424 Elm St. – Repairs in process; 108 S. Elm St. – A violation notice was sent last week.
- **Dale Street Water/Sewer Project:** Bid packet preparation in process. Bid notice to be published over the winter and put out to bid and awarded in March/April 2025.
- **Library Storm Water & Sanitary Sewer Project:** Bid packet preparation in process. Bid notice to be published over the winter and put out to bid and awarded in March/April 2025.
- **Tionesta Creekside Park Upgrades:** Nothing new.
- **Library Renovation:** Nothing new.
- **Davis Building Demo Project:** Nothing new.
- **Council Run:** Pictures of repairs forwarded to the DEP and the COE. Matter closed.
- **Landfill Remediation:** Nothing new.
- **Trash Pickup – Carts/Bins:** Discussion and motion to approve the WM cart service program addressed at the beginning of the meeting under public comment.

New Business:

- **Adopt File Destruction Resolution No. 2024-7:** Tom Mohney moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-7 approving the destruction of the files set forth in the resolution, 2nd by Bernadette Holzer. Roll call vote as follows: Tom Mohney, Aye; Jamie Say, Aye; Bernadette Holzer, Aye; Rowan Rose, Aye; and Denny O'Toole, Aye. Resolution No. 2024-7 was adopted.

Reports:

- **Mayor** – None
- **President** – None
- **Committees** – None
- **Sheriff** – None
- **Library** – Rowan shared that the library board worked on the 2025 Budget at the last meeting, adjusted the winter operating hours and discussed the ongoing exterior renovation.
- **EHB** – None

- **COG** – None
- **TCC** – None
- **Ambulance Board** – Next meeting is the 3rd Monday of the month.
- **Zoning Hearing Board** – None.
- **TMA** – Met 11/26/24. Worked on and approved the 2025 budget.
- **Planning Commission** – None.

Roundtable: None.

Executive Session: Called at 5:53 PM for personnel matters. Regular session resumed at 6:14 PM.

Rowan Rose moved to adjourn, 2nd by Tom Mohny. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted;

Cynthia S. Crytzer, Secretary