

**TIONESTA BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
May 2, 2023 - 5:00 PM**

Being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 5:00 PM by Robert G. Holzer. Those in attendance were:

Robert G. Holzer, President

Judith M. McDaid, Mayor

Jamie L. Say

Bernadette K. Holzer

Mary Ann Stanziano, Admin. Assistant

Dennis W. O'Toole, V. President

Christine A. Hendryx

Christi Black

Cindy Crytzer, Secretary

Public Comment: Brian Phillips with the Clarion/Forest Little League Charter; Alyce Busch and Britney Donato with TS&R; and Joe Calla, Forest County Commissioner Candidate. Joe Calla introduced himself and explained that the County Commissioners need to stay in consistent contact with elected officials at the township/borough level to share what is being done at the county level and listen to the concerns of the elected officials and residents and, to that end he plans to attend the local municipality meetings. Brian Phillips explained that supplies and base covers have been purchased and the volunteers have made repairs on the dugouts at the beach field as well as other repairs to get ready for games. Tionesta Builders Supply has been very supportive of the league as well as members of the community. He stated that they wanted to have a carwash as a fundraiser on Memorial Day weekend and wanted to know if they could use the Borough office parking lot. President Holzer stated that his request would be discussed later in the meeting. Alyce Busch explained that the current members of the TS&R board have difficulty coordinating meetings (there are seven members). It will be recommended at the board meeting scheduled for tomorrow (5/3/23) to dissolve the association. If there is a quorum at the meeting tomorrow, that decision will be made. If the association dissolves, Alyce and Britney will do whatever necessary to wind down the affairs of the association in the near future. They will pay for the port-a-jons at the fields for the entire season. The remaining assets of the association will be transferred to "a like entity" prior to dissolution as required by the association's bylaws.

Minutes: A motion was made by Bernadette Holzer to approve the April 18, 2023 Council minutes, 2nd by Jamie Say, motion carried.

Bills: April bills and bill list reviewed. A motion was made by Denny O'Toole to approve payment of the April, 2023 bills as presented, 2nd by Christi Black, motion carried.

Correspondence:

- **Letter from PA Liquor Control Board dated April 27, 2023 Re: the transfer of an existing license:** The letter notifies the Borough of a pending liquor license transfer to MB Beer, LLC for the Tionesta Beverage store.

Old Business:

- **GIS Mapping:** Cindy reported that she had spoken with engineer, Chris Ernst last week and that his surveyor will be in contact with Kent to schedule a meeting to confirm a few locations before finalizing the map.
- **Enforcement Notices:** 204 Sherman St. – nothing new; 129 Elm St. – in process; 103 May St. – Nothing new; 624 Elm St. – Cindy stated she has been in contact with the owner and was told the property will be sold this year and the house demolished.
- **Council Run Rip-Rap:** Conservation District approved the additional funding. Chris Ernst is preparing the contract this week and Cindy told the contractor that the contract and notice of award would be forthcoming later this week.
- **Dale Street Water/Sewer Project:** Nothing new.
- **Library Storm Water & Sanitary Sewer Project:** DEP Permit application in process. Cindy reported that engineer, Chris Ernst told her that there has been a hold up in the permitting process because of additional endangered species requirements.
- **Trail/Lions Signs:** In process.
- **Tionesta Park Lane Dirt & Gravel Road Project:** Nothing new.
- **Beach Park Upgrades:** New swings installed.
- **Pickleball Court:** Nothing new until the end of May.
- **Library Trees:** Scheduled for trimming this year.
- **TS&R Status:** As cited above during the public comment, the association is likely to dissolve. Cindy will have the sign at the pavilion changed to have Christi Black's name and phone number added for pavilion reservations as Christi volunteered to handle this process.
- **Little League:** Cindy applied for a \$2,000 Proper grant on behalf of the Clarion/Forest Little League.
- **Borough Logo:** Cindy asked if there were any additional suggestions for the logo. Cindy will let Rowan know to work with what she has been provided for a draft.

New Business:

- **TCA:** Bernadette Holzer asked if Council would consider allowing a permanent canopy roof type structure be installed over the tennis/basketball court if TCA paid for it. After discussion, it was determined that a feasibility study would need to be done. The Borough has an agreement with Forest Hardware, Inc for a portion of the court that encroaches onto the lot owned by Forest Hardware, Inc. Cindy will research the status of the agreement. The canopy structure would have to be permitted and the County Stormwater ordinance would apply as well. TCA will come back to Council once a more concrete plan has been created.
- **Little League:** After discussion, Denny O'Toole moved to allow the Little League to use the Borough office parking lot for their fundraiser on 5/27 & 5/28, 2nd by Bernadette Holzer, motion carried.

Executive Session: None.

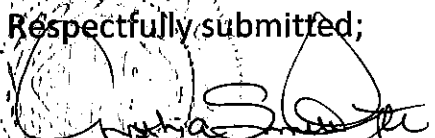
Reports:

- **Mayor** – None.
- **President** – None.
- **Committees** – None.
- **Sheriff** – May Patrol Schedule reviewed.
- **Library** – None.
- **EHB** – None.
- **COG** – Meeting Wednesday 5/3 @ 6: 30 pm.
- **TCC** – None.
- **Ambulance Board** – Judy McDaid reported that board members are to meet with Community Ambulance officials to discuss them supplying additional EMTs needed for the Tionesta Ambulance Service. If an agreement is reached, the TAS would be leasing employees of Community Ambulance to fully staff the service.
- **Zoning Hearing Board** – None.
- **TMA** – None
- **Planning Commission** – None.

Roundtable: None.

Jamie Say moved to adjourn, 2nd by Christine Hendryx. Meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted;


Cynthia S. Crytzer, Secretary