

**TIONESTA BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
March 2, 2021 - 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
Bernadette K. Holzer
Christine Hendryx
Jamie Say
Cindy Crytzer, Secretary

Judith M. McDaid, Mayor
Dennis W. O'Toole
Matthew Haslett (Via Zoom)
Julie Griffin, Admin. Assistant

Also Present were: Juliet Hilburn, Via Zoom; and Alyce Busch and Britney Donato with Tionesta Sports & Recreation

Public Comment: Ms. Hilburn explained the opportunities available through the college. There are 6 associate degrees. Scholarships available. Computers and hotspots are provided for students. In person classes are located at West Forest School and East Forest School as well as remote classes. The workforce arm of the college has EMT & EMR classes.

Alyce Busch and Britney Donato explained that TS&R has been unable to conduct their normal fundraising events due to COVID and are unable to pay for their liability/event insurance for the parks as required by the Borough. They are in need of volunteers to assist with mowing and weed wacking the parks. Council said they would take care of the mowing and will address this with Kent at the next meeting. The lawn mower at the beach park belongs to TSR but would permit the Borough to use it to maintain the beach park. Cindy will call the Borough's insurance company and ask about coverages.

Minutes: A motion was made by Bernadette Holzer to approve the February 16, 2021 minutes as presented, 2nd by Denny O'Toole, motion carried.

Bills: A motion was made by Denny O'Toole approve payment of the February, 2021 bills as presented, 2nd by Jamie Say, motion carried.

Correspondence:

- Letter from Forest County Conservation District & Planning dated February 12, 2021 re: Hazard Mitigation Plan Update: Bernadette moved to adopt Resolution 2021-1 adopting the Forest County 2020 Hazard Mitigation Plan, 2nd by Jamie Say.

Forest County 2020 Hazard Mitigation Plan

Municipal Adoption Resolution

Resolution No. 2021-1

Tionesta Borough, Forest County, Pennsylvania

WHEREAS, Tionesta Borough, Forest County, Pennsylvania is most vulnerable to natural and human-made hazards which may result in loss of life and property, economic hardship, and threats to public health and safety, and

WHEREAS, Section 322 of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000) requires state and local governments to develop and submit for approval to the President a mitigation plan that outlines processes for identifying their respective natural hazards, risks, and vulnerabilities, and

WHEREAS, Tionesta Borough acknowledges the requirements of Section 322 of DMA 2000 to have an approved Hazard Mitigation Plan as a prerequisite to receiving post- disaster Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds, and

WHEREAS, the Forest County 2020 Hazard Mitigation Plan has been developed by the Forest County Conservation District & Planning Department and the Forest County Conservation District & Planning Department in cooperation with other county departments, and officials and citizens of Tionesta Borough, and

WHEREAS, a public involvement process consistent with the requirements of DMA 2000 was conducted to develop the Forest County 2020 Hazard Mitigation Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Forest County 2020 Hazard Mitigation Plan recommends mitigation activities that will reduce losses to life and property affected by both natural and human-made hazards that face the County and its municipal governments,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body for Tionesta Borough:

- The Forest County 2020 Hazard Mitigation Plan is hereby adopted as the official Hazard Mitigation Plan of *Tionesta Borough* and
- The respective officials and agencies identified in the implementation strategy of the Forest County 2020 Hazard Mitigation Plan are hereby directed to implement the recommended activities assigned to them.

ADOPTED, this 2nd day of March, 2021

ATTEST:



Tionesta Borough

By

By

Robert G. Holzer
~~Robert G. Holzer, President~~
Walter A. ...
MAYOR

Roll Call vote as follows: Denny O'Toole, Aye; Christine Hendryx, Aye; Jamie Say, Aye; Bernadette Holzer, Aye; Matt Haslett, Aye; and Bob Holzer, Aye. Resolution 2021-1 adopted.

- **Email from Penelec dated February 24, 2021 re: Planned Power Outages:** Penelec will notify customers in planned outage areas using an automated phone call system. No action needed.

Old Business:

- **GIS Mapping:** Nothing new to report.
- **Elm Street Water Line Project Phase 3:** ARC payment from the County came in today.
- **Walnut Street Storm Water Line Replacement:** Nothing New
- **Zoning Ordinance Amendment:** Cindy is reviewing with Andrea Stapleford.
- **Blight - 138 Elm Street:** Started today. An addendum for the contractor and Borough agreement is required. Cindy drafted and presented to Council. Jamie Say moved to authorize Cindy Crytzer to execute the agreement with Keith White Excavating, 2nd by Denny O'Toole, motion carried.
- **Armstrong Cable Franchise Agreement:** With Andrea Stapleford.
- **Tax Collection Agreement with School District:** Jamie Say moved to authorize the execution of the agreement with the School District, 2nd by Denny O'Toole, motion carried.
- **Tionesta Creek Bridge Sidewalk:** Cindy reported that Penn DOT wants the raised sidewalk on the new bridge for safety purposes and will maintain during the winter (snow removal).
- **Downtown Ball Field Fence:** The TCA is contributing the remainder of the amount needed to fully fund the new fence installation. Bernadette will take care of the fence post painting through the Lions. Cindy just needs to let her know when its ready to be done.

New Business:

- **Tax Collector Bank Account:** Jamie Say moved to open a bank account with Northwest Bank and appoint Cynthia S. Crytzer and Julie R. Griffin as authorized signers on this account, 2nd by Denny O'Toole, motion carried.

Non-Agenda Items:

- **Proper Spring Grant Application:** The deadline for applications is April 1. Judy McDaid suggested applying for a new shed at the Downtown park. The existing shed was broken into about a year ago and needs to be replaced.
- **Borough Seal:** Bob Holzer brought up that the Borough does not have a seal/logo and asked Christine if she would be interested in making one up. Julia McCray was

mentioned as a local artist and Christine said she'll work on it with Julia and they could do it together. Bob asked if it could be done gratis.

Executive Session: None.

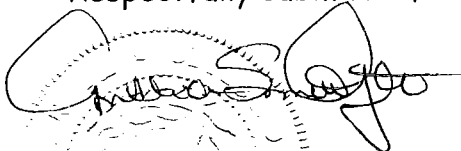
Reports:

- **Mayor** - Mayor McDaid reported that the Forest County Community Foundation was to be receiving funds that could be used for COVID related needs. They have a substantial amount to work with for local needs. The Borough could apply for the new shed at the downtown ball field.
- **President** - None.
- **Committees** - None.
- **Sheriff** - None.
- **Library** - None.
- **EHB** - None.
- **COG** - None.
- **TCC** - None.
- **Ambulance Board** - The board recently placed an ad with local newspapers in an attempt to recruit employees/volunteers.
- **Zoning Hearing Board** - None.
- **TMA** - None.
- **Planning Commission** - None.

Roundtable: None.

Jamie Say moved to adjourn, 2nd by Bernadette Holzer. Meeting adjourned at 6:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted;



Cynthia S. Crytzer, Secretary