

Mayor – Paul Colvin Jr.
Recorder – Rhonda Ardemagni
City Attorney –Justin Eichmann
Law Firm—Harrington-Miller
City Engineer—Garver Engineers



Ward 1 Position 1— Gene McCartney
Ward 1 Position 2— Amber Ibarra
Ward 2 Position 1—Arthur Penzo
Ward 2 Position 2—Larry Ardemagni
Ward 3 Position 1—Don Doudna
Ward 3 Position 2— Tim Burress

City Council August 2, 2021 Minutes

The Tontitown City Council is scheduled for Monday August 2, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at Tontitown City Hall and via Zoom and YouTube visit <https://zoom.us/j/97053037337>

Meeting ID: 970 5303 7337# or join by phone at +1 (312) 626-6799

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1. Meeting Call to Order
 2. Roll Call
All in attendance
 3. Pledge of Allegiance
 4. Approval of Agenda
Arthur Penzo motioned to approve the agenda Second by Amber Ibarra Motion Passes
 5. Approval of City Council Minutes from July 1, 2021.
Arthur Penzo motioned to approve the minutes Second by Larry Ardemagni Motion Passes
 6. Comments from Citizens

Mike Collins plans to build a house close to the proposed cell tower and was not aware of this and is now in the fall zone of the cell tower. Mr. Collins has requested that the council vote “NO”.

Lisa Welton of Springdale had a question about masks waring and who the mayor is going to represent.

Cliff Black said the cell tower will be in his back yard and doesn’t want the old trees taken out and the back two acers would be unusable. Mr. Black has requested that the council vote “NO”.

7. Approval by City Council Members to Waive the 3 Reading Rule for All Ordinances on Agenda

Arthur Penzo motioned to approve Second by Amber Ibarra Motion Passes

8. Old Business:

- A. Approval of Ordinance 2021-08-960 – An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 131 in order to authorize the net collections of the 1% sales and use tax levied within the city of Tontitown, Arkansas to be used for one or more of the following: (A) to pay and secure the repayment of bonds approved by the voters and issued by the City from time to time to finance and refinance capital improvements and (B) to improve municipal water and sewer services; and prescribing other matters related thereto. – Colvin

Arthur Penzo motioned to approve Second by Larry Ardemagni Motion Passes

Don Doudna votes YES
Larry Ardemagni voted YES
Gene McCartney voted YES
Tim Burress voted YES
Arthur Penzo voted YES
Amber Ibarra voted YES

- B. Approval of Resolution 2021-08-961R adopt to refer Ordinance No. 2021-08-960 to the voters.
– Colvin

Larry Ardemagni motioned to approve Second by Don Doudna Motion Passes

Arthur Penzo voted YES
Larry Ardemagni voted YES
Gene McCartney voted YES
Tim Burress voted YES
Don Doudna voted YES
Amber Ibarra voted YES

- C. Approval of Ordinance 2021-08-962 - An Ordinance calling a special election in the City of Tontitown, Arkansas on the questions of issuing bonds under Amendment No. 62 to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas for the purpose of financing and refinancing all or a portion of the costs of capital improvements; and prescribing other matters pertaining thereto.
- Colvin

Larry Ardemagni motioned to approve Second by Amber Ibarra Motion Passes

Tim Burress voted YES
Amber Ibarra voted YES
Gene McCartney voted YES
Larry Ardemagni voted YES
Arthur Penzo voted YES
Don Doudna voted YES

9. New Business:

- A. Approval of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 32.02. Purchasing by Mayor and Council Members; procedure of the Tontitown Municipal code of the City of Tontitown in its entirety and declaring an emergency. – Colvin

Larry Ardemagni motioned to approve Second by Tim Burress Motion Fails

Tim Burress voted NO
Amber Ibarra voted NO
Gene McCartney voted YES
Larry Ardemagni voted YES

Arthur Penzo voted NO

Don Doudna voted NO

- B. Approval of a Conditional Use Permit for Eco-Vista, LLC to construct a trash container repair shop at 1041 Arbor Acres Ave. – Colvin

Arthur Penzo motioned to approve Second by Amber Ibarra Motion Passes

- C. Approval of a Conditional Use Permit for a cellular communication tower to be constructed for Verizon Wireless at the Southwest corner of 1853 W Henri de Tonti Blvd. – Colvin

Tim Burress motioned to table Second by Arthur Penzo Motion Passes

- D. Approval to renew 3-year board member term as Museum secretary for Emily Pianalto-Beshears.

Arthur Penzo motioned to approve Second by Amber Ibarra Motion Passes

9. Comments from Aldermen

Don Doudna feels the cell tower is not in a good location.

Tim Burress said there have been request for city official contact information and wants to make sure that information is available to the citizens.

Tim Burress

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10. Comments from Mayor

Thanked Gene McCartney for setting in and running the meeting.

Thanked the council for passing the bond issue and allowing that to move forward.

Thanked Kevin Fought and Justin Eichmann for they hard work.

The growth in Tontitown has risen to 107% since 2015.

The tennis court, tether ball is being installed. Scott and the water guys are working hard in the city so be sure to thank them.

Leslee Bohannon is the new assistant.

Nathan Crouch the new city planner will start August 9, 2021.

The wave is here (growth) and permits are being requested.

Our city employees are the number one asset we have, so please remember them as we start the year budget.

More things to come.

11. Comments from City Attorney

Said if the bond ordinance doesn't pass the others won't matter.

Reference YouTube for full comment

Gene McCartney said the Planning Commission are not elected like the city council, so contact the city.

12. Adjournment

Amber Ibarra motioned to adjourn Second by Tim Burress All in Favor