

Acting Mayor – Gene McCartney
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— Penny Baskin
Ward 3 Position 2— Tim Burress

City Council March 1, 2022 Minutes

The Tontitown City Council is scheduled for Tuesday, March 1, 2022, 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
Tim Burress motioned to approve the agenda
Second by Amber Ibarra
Motion Passe Unnanusmley
5. Approval of City Council Minutes from February 1, 2022
Penny Baskin motioned to approve the minutes
Second by Larry Ardemagni
Motion Passes Unanimously
6. Approval of Special City Council Minutes from February 15, 2022
Larry Ardemagni motioned to approve the special city minutes
Second by Penny Baskin

Amber Ibarra voted- YES
Tim Burress voted- YES
Gene McCartney voted- YES
Penny Baskin voted- YES
Arthur Penzo voted- Abstained
Larry Ardemagni voted- YES
Motion Passes
7. Comments from Citizens-
Paul Colvin former mayor of Tontitown announced that his is officially running for the Arkansas State Senate Seat in District 31 as a Republican. Mr. Colvin stated he has a lot of experience here in Tontitown and all the experience with small towns and says he can offer some assistance to this city. As you well know the grant funding for hazardous mitigation grants has elapsed in Washington County. Mr. Colvin is working with the offices in Harrison to get this reinstated, so this town as well as Springdale, Elm Springs, and Johnson can all start applying. Currently the city of Lincoln is trying

to make a 10 million grant of hazardous mitigation which they can't apply for at this time. Judge Woods has been contacted trying to get this reinstated and ask that the city stay on top of this since drainage is an issue in Tontitown. Mr. Colvin asked for support and thanked the council for everything they do.

Kenneth Lovette has been doing some research on A.D.E.Q., (in reference to the landfill), so far, he can't get anyone to say they are the responsible party. Mr. Lovette has sent some information to the air quality team that has a monitor on it for testing, whenever we have issues.

8. Approval by City Council Members to Waive the 3 Reading Rule for All Ordinances on Agenda
Nothing to approve

9. Old Business: None

10. New Business: None

10. Comments from Aldermen

Since there was no new or old business to discuss the mayor felt it was important for the citizens to be able to voice their concerns and opinions.

Tim Burress was thankful for a short meeting and looking forward to Paul's race. Tim thanked the Police and Fire chiefs and Mr. Ardemagni for stepping up through the storm that we had last week. Tim also was happy that people came out and engaged in this process and for getting involved. Tim can be reached at 479-320-2122 anytime if you want to chat. Tim said he gets a lot of complaints and gripes about Waste Management. Tim, along with Penny Baskin had the opportunity to sit and talk with some of the folks from A.D.E.Q.. Tim and the rest of the council ask that the citizens continue to get involved and speak out because the people on the council are listening.

Arthur Penzo asked about the status of the signs. Per James Clark the sign on the west end of town has been installed and the state is still requesting more information before the other sign can be installed. Arthur requested that solar lights be installed and artificial flowers as well. Per James Clark that should not be a problem.

Arthur Penzo asked about the status of impact fees. Per James Clark Garver is still collecting data.

Larry Ardemagni said to be prepared for a long meeting next time.

11. Comments from Mayor

The mayor personally met with the following:

Met with the homeowners at Barrington Heights on Feb. 7th and discussed traffic issues and solutions for speeders, people cutting through etc.

Tontitown Fire Department along with John Langham viewed some Fire Stations designs. And the citizen input is rescheduled for possibly next week.

Met with Waste Management Feb. 8th, trying to help the citizens in that area and ways Waste Management can assist.

Met with Boston Mountain Feb. 9th the city was offered the collection of cardboard for recycling and other things.

Met with Waste Management Feb. 9th discussed the leachate, including our solid waste and working closely to try and get the contract completed.

Air quality monitoring meeting was on Feb. 11th.

Had another leachate meeting with N.A.C.A. on Feb. 16th. N.A.C.A. is still looking at expanding their plant and it could potentially cost Tontitown a few dollars. The mayor said each council member needs to be looking at this.

Met with citizens with the Reed Valley POA on Feb. 16th regarding mail theft and other areas. A federal agent out of Conway gave us some great ideas to help eliminate or reduce those issues and several things have already been done, like no USPS mail delivery after 6:30.

Meeting with T.A.F.D. Feb. 17th and with Marcus Mason and some of the board members and we're looking at different ideas between T.A.F.D. and T.F.D. Also, discussed the contract to continue our service between the two departments.

Meeting on Feb. 22nd to discuss the layout of the Fire Department.

Meeting on Feb. 24th A.D.E.Q.

Meeting on Feb. 28th with Garver, Braich Arrow.

Had meeting with Paramount Metal, discussed the rezoning.

Once again met with N.A.C.A. and Waste Management about our leachate and trying to come up with ideas and solutions on how to handle our N.A.C.A. treatment and sewer.

New policies will be implemented regarding "Meeting Attendance". Contact Leslee or the mayor if you're not attending your meetings

12. Comments from City Attorney-

Justin Eichmann revisited Tontitown's Code of Conduct and the procedural rules that was passed last year and thought it would be a good idea to touch on a few things.

Reference YouTube for details.

13. **Adjournment-** Amber Ibarra motioned to adjourn Second by Penny Baskin All in Favor

