

Mayor – Angela Russell  
Recorder – Rhonda Ardemagni  
City Attorney –Justin Eichmann  
Law Firm--Harrington-Miller  
City Engineer – Garver Engineers



Ward 1 Position 1 - Misty Piazza  
Ward 1 Position 2– Amber Ibarra  
Ward 2 Position 1—Daniel Montez  
Ward 2 Position 2—Larry Ardemagni  
Ward 3 Position 1—Mike Washkowiak  
Ward 3 Position 2—Tim Burress

**Committee of The Whole**  
**May 2, 2023**  
**Minutes**

The Tontitown Committee of the Whole meeting is scheduled for Tuesday May 2nd, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the Tontitown City Hall, Tontitown, Arkansas and via Zoom and YouTube visit <https://zoom.us/j/95097016958>

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1. Meeting Call to Order
  2. Roll Call  
All in attendance
  3. Pledge of Allegiance
  4. Approval of Agenda

Add the following-

8D) Vacate Permit- Mayor

8E) Discuss Home Business License- Tim

Tim motioned to approve.

Second by Amber Ibarra

Motion Passes Unanimously

5. Approval of April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023, COW Minutes

Daniel Montez- asked that the word “hurt” be changed to “eager”, from the April 4, 2023, Comments.

Daniel Montez motioned to approve.

Second by Tim Burress

Motion Passes Unanimously

6. Comments from Citizens

**Kenneth Lovett 18702 Clearwater Rd., Fayetteville, AR**

- 1. A Public Hearing Meeting will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Tontitown on Thursday May 25, 2023, at 5:30 PM, by D.E.Q.to discuss a draft permit for Eco-Vista, LLC, for the Class 1 landfill. Representatives from D.E.Q, Office of Land Resources will be present to discuss the permitting process.**

**Kevin Boortz 699 W. Baker Ave., Tontitown, AR**

- 1. Congratulations on improving the light at 412/Barrington.**

**7. Old Business:**

- A. Discussion of a resolution to authorize work order NO. 19T21063 for the Fletcher Ave Extension Project in the city of Tontitown, Arkansas < Tabled at March, April C.O.W> - Angie (James)**

After consultation with the project engineer, it is apparent that the project will require a work order, attached hereto as Exhibit "A", in the amount of approximately \$141,000.00 for services including surveying, design, preparation of property acquisition documents, and bidding services required in order to complete the project; and after thorough review, the City Council finds it to be in the best interest and benefit to the community to authorize this work order with Garver, LLC for the Fletcher Avenue Extension Project in the City of Tontitown, Arkansas.

**Amber motioned to Table to the next Committee of the Whole Meeting.**

**Second by Misty Piazza**

**Motion Passes Unanimously**

**8. New Business:**

- a) Ordinance to Rezone Hwy 412 & Pozza Lane**

AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE APPROXIMATELY 12.48 ACRES LOCATED AT HWY 412 AND POZZA LANE, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS PARCEL #830-37669-000 FROM RESIDENTIAL (R-3) TO GENERAL COMMERCIAL (C-2) IN THE CITY OF TONTITOWN, ARKANSAS.

**Misty Piazza motioned to move to the next City Council Meeting.**

**Second by Amber Ibarra**

**Motion Passes Unanimously**

- b) Discussion of amending the City, Water & Street budget to allow the city to hire an in-house engineer-Angie**

Discussion to amend the budget in hopes to allow the mayor to hire a city engineer.

**Amber Ibarra motioned to move to the next City Council Meeting.**

**Second by Misty Piazza**

**Motion Passes Unanimously**

- c) Discussion of a resolution to update the City of Tontitown handbook – Angie**

This discussion references the civilian employee vacation roll over hours for full time civilian employees.

**Kenneth Lovett 18702 Clearwater Rd., Fayetteville, AR**

1. Said you don't take benefits away from people, if they're asking for 10 you tell them they are only getting 5 and taking away a certain 6 months of the year that doesn't make good since. People work hard for time off, it's not a privilege, it's a benefit, and now you're in the middle of the year.

Terry William 615 Tuscan Sun Lane, Tontitown, AR

1. Said where he worked seniority got first choice on when they took their vacation then the next person and so on, that way there was always somebody in that department, and employees were also paid for vacation they didn't take.

Rhonda Ardemagni 765 Ardemagni Rd., Tontitown, AR

1. The company she works for has an 80-hour rollover and their busiest time is during the spring and summer months, just like the city street and water departments and they take care of everybody, but during the winter months is when things slow down. Mrs. Ardemagni suggested that the council think about the seasonal work and everything the employees do and when the city wants them there, but telling employees when they can take their vacation (blackout dates) and having a time limit is not a good thing. So, in her opinion, leave the rollover hours alone or make it a little better for them.

**Amber Ibarra motioned to Table to the next Committee of the Whole meeting.  
Second by Misty Piazza**

**Motion Passes Unanimously**

**d) Vacate Permit- Mayor/Brad**

The Vacate Permit filed by Jorgensen for a 20 ft wide utility easement needs city council approval.

**Tim Burress motioned to move to the next City Council Meeting  
Second by Mike Washkowiak**

**Motion Passes Unanimously**

**e) Discuss Home Business License- Tim**

Clarification is needed in the code.

**Tim Burress motioned to Table.  
Second by Daniel Montez**

**Motion Passes Unanimously**

**9. Comments from Council Members**

**Daniel Montez**

1. Thanked everyone for coming to tonight's meeting.
2. Would like to hear from civilian employees regarding their PTO rollover-Contact Daniel 501-444-2207.

**Misty Piazza**

1. Thanked everyone for coming to tonight's meeting and giving their thoughts and concerns.

2. Will be reaching out to the city employees about the PTO.

Amber Ibarra

1. Happy Birthday to Misty Piazza.

Mike Washkowiak

1. Thanked everyone for coming to tonight's meeting.
2. Quote- "Show me someone that has no enemies and I'll show you someone that has never taken a stand on anything".
3. Attended the Planning Meeting and it was as long as the last City Council Meeting but was glad he attended.
4. City Planning has a very tough job because they are the front line of the things to come before City Council.
5. Enjoyed the PTO discussion and all the other factors involved.

Tim Burress

1. Understands that people get upset with him and that is fine.
2. Everyone here has the city's best interest at heart from the mayor on down.
3. We are all better because we think differently and this council is different and he very much appreciates that and will give all that credit to all the good that is happening to Mike, Danny, Misty but not to take away from the mayor and to have those propellants is phenomenal and is excited to be working with them.
4. Keeping Leslee in our prayers.
5. PTO city employee input please contact Tim at 479-320-2122 (do not Text).
6. Thanked those who spoke and will take their comments to heart.

Larry Ardemagni

1. Thanked everyone for coming out and for their input.

## 10. Comments from Mayor

1. Citizens of Tontitown will be having a luncheon on Thursday May 4, at 10:45 AM, to honor the Police, Fire and EMT. Businesses have donated food, and all are welcome to attend.
2. Leslee had emergency surgery and is back at work.
3. Thanked Pat Pinalto for stepping in and getting the agenda done in time.
4. Thanked Pat, James, and Corey for working with her on issues and they are greatly appreciated.
5. Happy Birthday to Misty Piazza and providing refreshment to the city departments.
6. Farmers Market begins Saturday May 6, 2023, and opens at 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM.
7. Reminder to attend the Public Hearing for Class 1 Expansion regarding the landfill and voice your opinion.
8. May 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> is the City-Wide Yard Sale, maps available on social media and the city website.

## 11. Comments from Attorney

**12. Adjournment- All in Favor**