

Mayor – Angela Russell
Recorder – Rhonda Ardemagni
City Attorney –
Law Firm–
City Engineer–CK Civil
Engineering



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

City Council
December 16th, 2025
Agenda

The Tontitown City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 16th, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at Tontitown City Hall.

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City Council

- 1) **Prayer**
- 2) **Meeting Call to Order**
- 3) **Roll Call-** Mike Washkowiak was absent
- 4) **Pledge of Allegiance**
- 5) **Approval of Agenda**

Mayor requested to add 11F- Approve the hiring of Tyler Farrar as the new City Attorney.

Larry Ardemagni motioned to approve the agenda.
Second by Amber Ibarra

Larry Ardemagni Voted- YES
Daniel Montez Voted- ABSTAIN
Misty Piazza Voted- YES
Tim Burress Voted- ABSTAIN
Amber Ibarra Voted- YES

3 -Votes YES to 2 -Votes- ABSTAIN
Mayor Voted Yes

Motion Passes

- 6) **Approval of November 18th, 2025, City Council Minutes and December 8th, 2025, Special City Council Minutes.**

Tim Burress motioned to approve both the minutes.
Second by Larry Ardemagni

Motion Passes

- 7) **Financial Report-** Reference to the city website for detailed report.
- 8) **Department Reports**
 - A. Museum

Tontitown Historical Museum (THM) Report for the COW Meeting Tuesday, December 18th, 2025.

The THM Board of Directors met December 8, 2025, at City Hall at 6p.m.

1. Springdale Schools Collaboration: THM is working with Walker Elementary School GT Program to map out historic sites of Tontitown. Students will be producing a story map to

go into their Discovery Box, we hope to also incorporate this into a driving tour that Brittany Berry's E.A.S.T. classes at Helen Tyson Middle School have been working on for several years.

2. **Digitization Project:** Our database is live online, with all the photos, artifacts and archival material currently digitized. Those interested in Tontitown can search from the comfort of their own home and reach out to us with questions or if they have identification for unknown people in photos they can send us that information as well!

3. Visitors: 13 visitors for November, compared to 2024: 24.

4. **New Exhibits 2026:** We are in the final stages of putting together the Veterans of Tontitown exhibit, we hope you all will take some time 2026 to stop by the museum and view this exhibit which will not only look at our Tontitown veterans but the home front efforts in both World War I and World War II, and photos from one of our Vietnam Veterans. In addition to our Veterans exhibit, we plan to have a small exhibit celebrating America 250 where we will explore how Tontitown embraced American culture and worked to establish an incorporated city by 1909.

5. **New on Display:** Ozark Electric Co-Op's latest newsletter will feature a story on the Rural Electrification project that was begun in the late 1930's. Tontitown was one of the first contracts for this project and the article also features Memo and Rose Bastianelli Morsani. The Morsani's were the representatives for Tontitown who went house to house discussing the benefits of electrifying homes and farms. In conjunction with this article a small display case with Rose and Memo's personal effects and a little of their story is up in our main room.

Regular Museum Hours: Wednesday & Thursday 9am-1pm, Friday & Saturday 1pm-4pm
THM Board will meet on January 5th Chambers at City Hall at 6p.m.

B. Police

Tontitown Police Monthly Report
Month: November 2025

Calls for Service – 800
Accident Reports – 21
Warrants Served – 55
Warrants Outstanding - 1386
Warrants Amount - \$ 1,717,030.66
Training Hours (YTD) – 4,949
Citation Total - 130
Speeding Citations -10
(Other) Traffic Citations - 77
Criminal Citations – 18
Improper Driving (City Ordinance) - 25
Warning Total - 464
Speeding Warnings – 177

(Other) Traffic Warnings – 287

C. Fire

Fire Department Report

NOVEMBER 2025

Total Calls: 56

EMS 27

FIRE 7

MVA 4

FALSE ALARM 5

SERVICE CALL 9

CANCELED IN ROUTE 4

Calls within city limits of Tontitown

November 2025: 584 calls for service

November 2024: 494 calls for service

Increase of 90 calls to date over 2024

Average response time (Alarm to en route) listed at: 1 minute 33 seconds.

Average on scene/arrival time (Alarm to on scene): 4 minutes 54 seconds.

D. **Public Works/Engineering**- Reference to the city website for detailed report.

E. **Building Report**- Reference to the city website for detailed report.

F. Community Development

December Report: Reference to the city website for detailed report.

Building Report: Reference to the city website for detailed report.

Carbon Chicken attended tonight's meeting and presented an interpretation of the information from their report to the council.

Reference YouTube for discussion.

Community Development Department-

Mike Washkowiak arrived during this report.

- Variance Request – Applicant is requesting a variance on a miscellaneous building requirement located at 256 Tessaro St.
- Vacation of Street Right of Way - Pam Transport is requesting a vacation of two local streets on Pam Transport property.
- Continued Discussion of 412 overlay district
- Continued Discussion of EU-L Landfill Codes

• Street and Stormwater

Klenc traffic signal operational.

Contractor finally started working on the Mantegani project.
I am still waiting on APAC to complete a schedule of work for 2025 street improvements. .
The contractor is waiting for Washington Water to relocate their waterline to start drainage improvements to South Pinalto.

- **Grants**

We received word that the city did not make it to the second round of the grant for the Splash Pad. Before any decision is made on the bond money, I am still waiting on the grant submitted for the community building.

Waiting to hear something on the FEMA grant.

Discussion on Hazardous Mitigation Grant for Sbanotto culvert. (2026 Project) We are preparing a grant application for drainage improvements to be submitted for next year.

We are also going to resubmit the RAISE grant due in February.

Reviewing possible grants for a Corridor Study (112 to Kelly)

- **Other Projects**

We still have not received a new draft of the proposed MOU, which was promised by Waste Management. I would at some point like to address this with Council.

Park Advisory Board will meet this coming Friday. Discussion on future public surveys to identify possible events and programs for 2026.

9) **Approval by City Council Members to Waive the 3 Reading Rule for All Ordinances on Agenda- NONE**

10) **Old Business: NONE**

11) **New Business:**

A. An approval of a resolution to approve a bid with David's Roofing for museum repairs. Presented by: Emily

Tim Burress motioned to approve the resolution to approve a bid with David's Roofing for museum repairs.

Second by Amber Ibarra

Daniel Montez Voted- YES

Misty Piazza Voted- ABSTAIN

Tim Burress Voted- YES

Larry Ardemagni Voted- YES

Mike Washkowiak Voted- YES

Amber Ibarra Voted- YES

5 Votes- YES to 1 Vote- ABSTAIN

Motion Passes

B. An approval of a resolution to approve a bid with ALL AV Services for updates in the Council Chambers. Presented by: Brad

Misty Piazza motioned to approve the resolution to approve a bid with ALL AV Services for updates in the Council Chambers.

Second by Daniel Montez

Motion Passes Unanimously

C. An approval resolution for the city to enter a closed admissions animal shelter contract with Washington County. Presented by: Corey

Mike Washkowiak motioned to approve the resolution for the city to enter a closed admissions animal shelter contract with Washington County.

Second by Tim Burress

Motion Passes Unanimously

D. An approval of a resolution for a cost share with Washington County for Wildcat Creek Road improvements. Presented by: Mark

Daniel Montez motioned to approve the resolution for a cost share with Washington County for Wildcat Creek Road improvements.

Second by Misty Piazza

Motion Passes Unanimously

E. An approval of a resolution to appeal resolution #2015-01-505R regarding attorney contact. Presented by: Danny

Amber Ibarra motioned to [TABLE to the February 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting.](#)

Second by Misty Piazza

Amber Ibarra Voted- YES

Daniel Montez Voted- NO

Tim Burress Voted- YES

Mike Washkowiak Voted- YES

Larry Ardemagni Voted- YES

Misty Piazza Voted- YES

5 Votes- YES to 1 Vote- NO

Motion Passes

F. An approval of a resolution to hire Tyler Farrar as the City Attorney. Mayor

Mike Washkowiak motioned to [TABLE to the January Committee of the Whole Meeting.](#)

Second by Amber Ibarra

Amber Ibarra Voted- YES

Daniel Montez Voted- ABSTAIN

Tim Burress Voted- YES

Mike Washkowiak Voted- YES

Larry Ardemagni Voted- YES

Misty Piazza Voted- YES

5 Votes- YES to 1 Vote- ABSTAIN

Motion Passes

12) Public Comments

David Knack 405 Casella St., Tontitown, AR

- On Saturday, while running on Brush Creek Road, I was bitten by a German Shepherd. That's when I learned Tontitown doesn't have a leash law. The police responded, and I went to the ER. The dog's last rabies shot was in 2021. Sergeant Hammond from the Tontitown Police Department was great, but one of the things that he shared is that it makes his job hard to deal with dogs in general, but with strays. Obviously, we've got a lot of neighborhoods. We've got a lot of kids. I've got a young family and so it's a good thing it happened to me. I just wanted to come before this council and would love to be a part of the solution. There's a lot of precedence for other types of leash laws in the area and so I think that's something that as Tontitown continues to grow is the kind of thing that helps us to solve a lot of problems.

I saw the chief was on the resolution around the animal control center. I would guess those are kind of parallel tracks and so there's a way that I can be useful in implementing that change.

Kenneth Lovett 18702 Clearwater RD., Fayetteville, AR

- Mr. Lovett gave the council information to review regarding "Conversation Ground Rules".
- I've been created to be a bad person because I don't live in Tontitown and I don't take to ignorance or my consideration of ignorance very well. So, in my opinion, I believe that a lot of the problems we have in Tontitown is because of the people in Tontitown, the people that come up here, including me sometimes.
- I started coming here five years ago trying to protect my family and I'm still here and I can't get it done. Mark talked about what the government told him. They don't care. People around here don't care. The leaders don't. Northwest Arkansas council don't care. They said they leave it to the Waste Management Companies. That's not the proper way to be.
- I reached out and got some FOIA's I requested in October and it's December what 15th 16th and I still haven't got what I needed. So, The FOIA system isn't working. But commented on some

emails he did receive and didn't appreciate what was said about him.

13) Comments from Alderman

Mike Washkowiak

- I apologize for being late.
- I wish everyone a Merry Christmas.
- Thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting and be safe while traveling.

Tim Burress

- The Christmas season is upon us and just a reminder, I'm sure many of you already know this but Christmas actually starts with Christ and that was God. The Bible says Emanuel, God with us. God in the flesh who came to be born humbly as a baby and lived a perfect life, died on a cross, came for one purpose, to die on a cross so that anyone who would believe in him would confess with their mouth and believe in their heart that Christ is Lord be saved. So, I hope if you have not made that decision in your life that this Christmas season, that's what you think about more than anything.
- I'd like to thank those that have decorated our park with lights and various decorations for the holiday. Beautiful, wonderful. Thank you.
- Hope you all have a very merry Christmas.

Larry Ardemagni

- Thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting.
- Thanks to our staff. You guys have performed all year long and I appreciate it.
- I hope you all have a great Christmas.

Amber Ibarra

- Thank you, Mr. Knack, for coming in, bringing that to our attention. Definitely something that I think we can strengthen in the city. So, thank you for that.
- Our church puts on a Christmas concert, and I would like to invite everyone. I think it's phenomenal. But anyway, it's coming up this Saturday and Sunday. I have invitations if anyone is interested. It will encourage you. You will love it. It's great. So, everyone is invited to that.
- I hope everybody has a merry Christmas.

Misty Piazza

- Hope everyone stays safe out there. There's a really bad virus going around. It hit my family. We're still recovering. So, just wash your hands, drink lots of fluid, and just try to protect yourself because the walk-in clinic said it's taking out classrooms, and my husband has six teachers out just today. So, it's hitting the schools really hard. So, just stay safe, stay protected.
- Hope everybody has a merry Christmas.

Daniel Montez

- Thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting and the public comments.
- I want to also offer an apology for not being at the Special Council Meeting the other Monday at 5:00. I came in I guess at the end of the meeting rather than the front. That was a record almost 4-minute meeting. So, sorry I wasn't able to be there in attendance.

14) Comments from Mayor

- I want to wish everyone a safe and blessed holiday season. Remember Christ was born. Thank you and Merry Christmas.

15) Comments from City Attorney- No City Attorney

16) Adjournment- All in Favor

PASSED AND APPROVED this ___ day of _____ 2025.

APPROVED: _____
Angela Russell, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Rhonda Ardemagni, City Clerk-Treasurer
(SEAL)