

TUNKHANNOCK BOROUGH COUNCIL
Reorganization/Regular Meeting
January 2, 2018

Council President Robert Robinson called the Monthly Meeting of the Tunkhannock Borough Council to order in the Borough Building, 126 Warren Street, Tunkhannock, PA at 7:00 p.m. He led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present were: Mayor Norman Ball; Council Members: Ben Barziloski, Dan Gay, Lisa Tesluk, Robert Robinson, Ruth Vincenti, David Wiggins and Borough Manager Dawn Welch. Absent: Scott Douthett and Marshall Davis.

Others present were: Chief Keith Carpenter, Susan DiStadio, Michael DiStadio, Mark Monsey, Joseph B. Sick, Ned Slocum, and Wyoming County Examiner Reporter Kayla Binner.

Mayor Norman Ball swore in Lisa Tesluk, David Wiggins, and Dan Gay.

President Robinson welcome David Wiggins.

Nomination and Election of Council President:

On motion by Ben Barziloski, seconded by Dan Gay, move to nominate Robert Robinson as Council President. With no other nominations having been made, motion carried unanimously.

Nomination and Election of Council Vice President:

On motion by Lisa Tesluk, seconded by Ruth Vincenti, move to nominate Ben Barziloski as Council Vice President. With no other nominations having been made, motion carried unanimously.

Joseph B. Sick asked if it was a conflict having Marshall Davis on Council and TBMA? President Robinson, said no according to Borough Code.

Other Appointments:

Solicitor: Paul Litwin

ZHB Solicitor: Timothy Michaels

Vacancy Board: William Gaylord 12/31/2021

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TBMA: Marshall Davis 12/31/2021

Riverside Park: Peg Ball, Bob Innamoratti, and Rich Bishop 12/31/2019

Shade Tree Commission: Robert Robinson 12/31/2021
Wyoming County Parks & Trails: Sam Elias 12/31/2018
Civil Service Commission: Charles Sands 12/31/23
Planning Commission: Ned Slocum 12/31/2021

On motion by Ruth Vincenti, seconded by Ben Barziloski, move to approve December 7, 2017 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion by Lisa Tesluk, seconded by Dan Gay, move to approve the payment of bills. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Privilege of the Floor:

Joseph B. Sick reported on three concerns: 1). UGI, is not the best company for gas lines, and hoped another company would lay the lines. He warned the council to be extremely careful. 2). Exhaust stacks on tractor trailers needs to be addressed again, and 3). The speed limit on 29, by Sick's Garage. It goes from 45mph to 25mph. something needs to be done. Maybe signs to slow people down.

Finance and Administration Committees:

President Robinson reported that Don Brominski; UGI Business Representative Development Director met with Council on December 14th. He was asking for a resolution to be adopted by January 6, 2018. Robinson said we could not pass this resolution because of many reasons, one being UGI had not even met with the Tunkhannock Borough Municipal Authority. UGI will be meeting with TBMA and then the Borough Council again.

Transportation and Streets Committees: N/A

Building and Property Committees: N/A

Riverside Park Committee:

Mayor Ball reported the ice skating rink has been busy.

Police Committee:

Mayor Ball reported the Police did an outstanding job for 2017.

Chief Carpenter presented a summary of the Police Report for the Month of December. Note: a copy of the report is on file in the Police Department.

Chief Carpenter reported that the Police Committee along with Council will be receiving a letter recommending to fix the cars we have instead of purchasing a new car. This would not look good

to the public since we are raising taxes. He also reduced the part-time police officers hours until they are needed.

Planning & Zoning Committees: N/A

Council of Governments (COG):

Chairman Barziloski reported the next meeting should be February 13, 2018.

Ordinance: DROP 2018-1

With a lack of a motion, the DROP Ordinance was tabled.

President Robinson explained the DROP Ordinance. Manager Welch reported that if Roberts worked until 25 years, it is estimated that the plan would save at least \$126,500.00.

Other Business: N/A

Council Privilege of the Floor: N/A

On motion by Ben Barziloski, seconded by Dan Gay, move to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Welch,
Borough Manager