

**TUNKHANNOCK BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**September 5, 2024**

**President Ben Barziloski 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 Stacy Huber; Council Members: Ben Barziloski, Tabitha Holliday, Lisa Tesluk, Glenda Shoemaker, David Wiggins and Borough Manager Dawn Welch. Absent: Linda Hulslander, Charles Mead, and Robert Robinson.**

**Others present were: Chief Keith Carpenter, Sue Barziloski, Mark Monsey, Art Henry, Sam Elias, and Wyoming County Examiner Editor Jessica Harker.**

**On motion by David Wiggins, seconded by Lisa Tesluk, move to approve August 5, 2024 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.**

**On motion by David Wiggins, seconded by Lisa Tesluk, move to approve the payment of bills. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Public Privilege of the Floor:**

Sue Barziloski reported that if the jungle creature (boa) gets loose again, she will run over it.

Art Henry said the Commissioners were to be here. He then wanted to know if we were turned down for a grant because the paperwork was not filled out correctly. President Barziloski said that was not true. Henry asked why we did not accept help from the County with the paving on Harrison. President Barziloski explained to Henry that this was a Borough project. Henry asked if Council voted on the trench drain. President Barziloski said that he talked to the Department of Public Works who said it was not needed. Henry asked is we got the Sunshine Act. Manager Welch said she got the Right-To-Know Request. Henry said the Borough did not care about the residents. Barziloski said he stopped over and checked out the drains and spoke to Sam Elias who said there was very little water going over the sidewalks and thanked him.

**Finance and Administration Committee:**

**On motion by David Wiggins, seconded by Tabitha Holliday, to approve the 2025 Minimum Municipal Obligation of \$158,805.00 for the Police Pension and \$21,100.00 for the Non-Uniform Pension. Motion carried unanimously.**

**On motion by Lisa Tesluk, seconded by Tabitha Holliday, move to approve Attorney Paul Litwin's Solicitor Agreement increasing his labor to \$150.00 per hour. Motion carried unanimously.**

Manager Welch reported that she is waiting for the insurance premiums to finish the budget. There will be a Finance Meeting on September 13, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.

**Transportation and Streets Committee:** N/A

**Building and Property Committee:**

Manager Welch reported that ABT, our tenant, is closing all locations. The offices will need to be painted and new carpet, which Eric Posner, ABT said he would replace.

**Riverside Park Committee:**

**Police Committee:**

Mayor Huber: N/A

Chairman David Wiggins: N/A

Chief Carpenter passed out the summary of the Police Report for the Month of August. Note: a copy if the report is on file in the Police Department.

Chief Carpenter reported that Mary Lu Shaffer has resigned as a crossing guard and that he found a replacement for her.

**On motion by Tabitha Holliday, seconded by Glenda Shoemaker, move to hire Lauren Nothoff as a Crossing Guard. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Planning & Zoning Committees:**

**50 West Harrison, the Metcalf Mansion's Hearing will be on September 18th at 7p.m. for the purpose of receiving evidence and hearing testimony concerning the request for Use Variances and Special Exception Uses specifically for a Short-Term Rental and for Events & Gatherings.**

**Council of Governments (COG):** N/A

**Council Privilege of the Floor:** N/A

**On motion by David Wiggins, seconded by Lisa Tesluk, move to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Welch,  
Borough Manager

