

TUNKHANNOCK BOROUGH COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
June 5, 2025

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, Susann Barziloski, Tabitha Holliday, Linda Hulslander, Lisa Tesluk, Glenda Shoemaker, David Wiggins, and Borough Manager Dawn Welch. Absent: Charles Mead.

Others present were: Chief Keith Carpenter, Marshall Davis, Ned Slocum, Wyoming County Examiner Correspondent Caitlyn Allaoui, Gloria Pasternak, Roger Hadsall, Mark Monsey, Jennifer & Michael Harvey, Linda Sherman, Jennie Pitkus, Michael DiStadio, and Joseph B. Sick.

On motion by Susann Barziloski, seconded by Tabitha Holliday, move to approve May 1, 2025 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Public Privilege of the Floor:

Jennie Pitkus asked if we had anything to do with Sunnyside Cemetery because the State Police who will be leasing land off the County which will be having a shooting range. Nothing to do with the borough. She asked if the speed limit could be lowered around the courthouse. Chief Carpenter said a traffic study would need to be done, but believes it is not a problem. She also enquired about Peg Ball's Garden area at Riverside Park and would like to work on it. President Barziloski offered to donate plants from Ebbs.

Linda Sherman once again had concerns about the proposed new Endless Mountains Veterinary Center and asked Stacy Huber and Roger Hadsall about the status because they are on the Wyoming County Planning Commission. Huber stated that, to his knowledge, the project is still on hold at the County level, awaiting further input from the developer.

Mark Monsey gave an update on Founders Day June 21, 2025.

Finance and Administration Committee:

Pennsylvania Economy League will be here to give a presentation on the Tunkhannock Borough Strategic Management Planning Program Report on June 9th at 6:00 p.m.

Police:

Mayor Stacy Huber received a generous donation of \$1,049.88 from an anonymous Borough citizen to be used for the purchase of body cameras for our officers. A letter of acknowledgement and appreciation will be sent.

Chairman David Wiggins: N/A

Chief Carpenter delivered the summary of the Police Report for the Month of May. Note: a copy of the report is on file in the Police Department. Chief Carpenter reported that the body cameras have been ordered and paid for by an anonymous donor.

Transportation and Streets Committee:

On motion by David Wiggins, seconded by Tabitha Holliday, move to adopt 2025-1 Amended Sidewalk Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

Ned Slocum asked Manger Welch if it was advertised twice. Welch said yes.

Fire Hydrant:

Marshall Davis asked about the fire hydrant that needed repair on Second Street. President Barziloski told him that he and Roger Hadsall who has knowledge about construction; felt capping it would work for now. Davis requested a motion to appoint a committee to review the MOA from 2007. Manager Welch said a motion was not needed to form a committee. Davis also said the Triton Hose Company does not need to be involved. (2/5/2025 Hadsall sent a letter to Triton Hose asking whether to replace, move, or eliminate the hydrant in question? At that time, they said to replace it. After further review, they said it was not viable to fix it. Then, in an email 6/4/2025 Davis stated “We are not aware of that organization having access to the necessary information, training or experience to make a determination of this hydrant’s “viability.”).

On motion by Susann Barziloski, seconded by Lisa Tesluk moves to cap the fire hydrant on Second Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Building and Property Committee: N/A

Riverside Park Committee:

Connie Kintner has raised \$8,550.00 for the Summer Concert Series.

Planning & Zoning Committees:

Appeal from the Zoning Officer Notice of Violation for Country by Bre will be June 18, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Council of Governments (COG):

The next meeting will be August 12, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lemon Township building.

Riverside Park Committee Appointment:

On motion by Tabitha Holliday, seconded by Lisa Tesluk, move to appoint Linda Hulslander to the Riverside Park Committee, term to expire December 31, 2026.

Council Privilege of the Floor:

On motion by David Wiggins, seconded by Tabitha Holliday, move to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Welch,
Borough Manager