TULLYTOWN BOROUGH SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING November 15, 2023

President Mary Ann Gahagan called the meeting of the Tullytown Borough Council to order on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at the meeting
Mayor Cutchineal
Councilman Pirolli
Councilwoman Chrzanowski
Councilman Shellenberger
Councilman Czyzyk
Councilman Saunders
Councilman Servis
Councilwoman Gahagan

Also present: Russ Sacco, Solicitor Patricia Marks, Borough Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kelli Donlen, 10 Lakeside Drive, thanked everyone who voted and congratulated those who won.

2024 Adoption of 1% Earned Income Tax—Consideration

Mr. Sacco advised that before Council is the 1% earned income tax. Ordinance #409 would enact a 1% earned income tax for residents of Tullytown Borough. He explained that many of the residents already pay this tax to another municipality. Most municipalities in Bucks County already have this tax. Keystone Collections Group is the tax collector for the county. He spoke to Keystone with respect to people who live in Tullytown and work in New Jersey. It is up to the employer to deduct the earned income tax. They are not required to do so. In that situation, the resident still has to pay and will pay it at the same time they pay their income tax. They should make estimated payments if the employer does not withhold. There is a \$12,000 exemption. The tax is only on earned income. It does not tax social security or investment income.

Mr. Saunders made a motion to approve the adoption of the 1% Earned Income Tax and Ordinance No. 409, seconded by Mr. Shellenberger.

Roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Pirolli—against

Mrs. Chrzanowski—against

Mr. Shellenberger—for

Mr. Czyzyk—for

Mr. Saunders—for

Mr. Servis—for

Ms. Gahagan—for

The majority of Council was in favor of the motion, the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Servis made a motion to amend the agenda for approval to apply for a \$1 million Statewide Local Share Assessment Grant, seconded by Mr. Czyzyk. seconded by

Roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mrs. Chrzanowski—for

Mr. Shellenberger—for

Mr. Czyzyk—for

Mr. Saunders—for

Mr. Servis—for

Ms. Gahagan—for

All of Council was in favor of the motion, the motion carried.

Mr. Servis made a motion to approve a resolution authorizing Tullytown Borough to apply for a Statewide Local Share Assessment Grant from the Commonwealth Financing Authority and to authorize Pat Marks and Bryan Servis to execute any and all necessary agreements, seconded by Mr. Saunders.

Roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mrs. Chrzanowski—for

Mr. Shellenberger—for

Mr. Czyzyk—for

Mr. Saunders—for

Mr. Servis—for

Ms. Gahagan—for

All of Council was in favor of the motion, the motion carried.

Mr. Saunders mentioned that to get \$2 million in cash for the town, he very much appreciates it.

Mrs. Chrzanowski asked where are we at in process of hiring full time police officers. Mr. Servis advised that they will discuss at the December 6th meeting.

Mr. Shellenberger made a motion to amend the agenda to discuss bonuses for Borough employees, seconded by Mr. Servis.

Roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mrs. Chrzanowski—for

Mr. Shellenberger—for

Mr. Czyzyk—for

Mr. Saunders—for

Mr. Servis—for

Ms. Gahagan—for

All of Council was in favor of the motion, the motion carried.

Mr. Shellenberger made a motion to give all Borough employees a \$250 bonus, seconded by Mr. Saunders.

Roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mrs. Chrzanowski—for

Mr. Shellenberger—for

Mr. Czyzyk—for

Mr. Saunders—for

Mr. Servis—abstain

Ms. Gahagan—for

All of Council was in favor of the motion, the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Servis to adjourn the meeting. All of Council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Marks Borough Secretary