# TULLYTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING October 15, 2024

President Servis called the meeting of the Tullytown Borough Council to order on Tuesday, October 15, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at the meeting: Mayor Cutchineal- absent Councilman Pirolli Councilman Pearl Councilman Shellenberger Councilman Czyzyk - absent Councilman Saunders Councilwoman Gahagan Councilman Servis

Also present: Russ Sacco, Solicitor Sean Torpey, Engineer Acting Chief Aldsworth Patricia Marks, Borough Secretary

Mr. Sacco stated that there was an executive session prior to the meeting to discuss pending litigation.

Mr. Servis asked for a Moment of Silence for Tullytown Residents John Lovett and Jeanette Phillips.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Tim Damiani President of Tullytown Fire Company. They have a couple of events coming up – Saturday, October  $19^{th}$  is a cornhole tournament in the fire house parking lot, 10 a.m. registration. October 28th is first responder's trunk or treat in the back parking lot – 6:30 to 8:30 PM, trunk set up is 5:30 PM.

Kelli Donlen, 10 Lakeside drive, expressed concern over comments made at the meetings. She does not feel that personnel names should be discussed in the meeting and the Mayor should be treated with respect.

Jim Chase, 633 Main St., thanked police department for their help on Main Street. He suggested moving speed recorder to a better location. He mentioned that Mr. Czyzyk has missed many meetings. Mr. Sacco stated that elected officials cannot be removed for missing meetings.

# COUNCIL MINUTES September 10, 2024 Council Meeting

Mr. Saunders made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2024 Council meeting, seconded by Ms. Gahagan.

Roll call vote was taken: Mr. Pirolli—for Mr. Pearl—for Mr. Shellenberger—abstain Mr. Saunders—for Ms. Gahagan—for Mr. Servis—for The majority of council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

### TREASURER'S REPORT MONTHLY BILLS

Mr. Shellenberger made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$21,014.01 seconded by Mr. Saunders.

Roll call vote was taken: Mr. Pirolli—for Mr. Pearl—for Mr. Shellenberger—for Mr. Saunders—for Ms. Gahagan—for Mr. Servis—for All of council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

# OTHER EXPENSES PAID IN SEPTEMBER

Mr. Shellenberger made a motion to approve the other expenses for September, 2024 in the amount of \$5,184.49 seconded by Ms. Gahagan.

Roll call vote was taken: Mr. Pirolli—for Mr. Pearl—for Mr. Shellenberger—for Mr. Saunders—for Ms. Gahagan—for Mr. Servis—for All of council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

#### **RECONCILIATION STATEMENT**

Ms. Gahagan made a motion to approve the Reconciliation Statement for September, 2024, seconded by Mr. Saunders.

Roll call vote was taken: Mr. Pirolli—for Mr. Pearl—for Mr. Shellenberger—for Mr. Saunders—for Ms. Gahagan—for Mr. Servis—for All of council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

# **AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF FUNDS VIA RESOLUTION #513**

Mr. Saunders made a motion to adopt Resolution #513, authorizing the transfer of \$250,000 from the Investment Funds to the General Fund, seconded by Ms. Gahagan.

Roll call vote was taken: Mr. Pirolli—for Mr. Pearl—for Mr. Shellenberger—against Mr. Saunders—for Ms. Gahagan—for Mr. Servis—for The majority of council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried

#### COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications this month.

# **GENERAL BUSINESS**

a) Authorize Advertising of Property Allocation Check Ordinance #413— Consideration

Mr. Saunders made a motion to approve the advertising of the Ordinance for the property allocation check in the amount of \$500, seconded by Ms. Gahagan. Roll call vote was taken: Mr. Pirolli—for Mr. Pearl—for Mr. Shellenberger—against Mr. Saunders—for Ms. Gahagan—for Mr. Servis—for The majority of council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

b) PennDOT Winter Services Agreement and Resolution #514—Consideration

The Agreement transfers snow removal responsibilities to the Borough for maintaining the PennDOT roads for a period of 5 years and an option to renew for 5 years. The Agreement provides compensation to the Borough for snow removal. Mr. Servis suggested that the Borough request that salt for the roads be included in agreement.

Mr. Pearl made a motion to approve the PennDOT Winter Services Agreement and Resolution #514 with the condition that PennDOT provide salt in addition to the monetary compensation. If not approved, the Agreement will be brought back to the next Council meeting for approval, seconded by Mr. Saunders.

Roll call vote was taken: Mr. Pirolli—for Mr. Pearl—for Mr. Shellenberger—for Mr. Saunders—for Ms. Gahagan—for Mr. Servis—for All of council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

c) Verizon Cable Franchise Renewal and Resolution #515—Consideration This Agreement provides a franchise fee of 5% for a period of 5 years. It also includes a \$3000 grant for an upgrade in equipment. The Agreement includes an upgrade in customer service standards and continues to provide free basic cable to municipal buildings, public and private schools and libraries.

Mr. Pearl made a motion to approve the Verizon Cable Franchise Renewal Agreement and Resolution #515, seconded by Mr. Saunders.

Roll call vote was taken: Mr. Pirolli—for Mr. Pearl—for Mr. Shellenberger—for Mr. Saunders—for Ms. Gahagan—for Mr. Servis—for All of council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no committee reports.

#### **BOROUGH REPORTS**

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Council has a copy of his report. Mr. Servis asked for a Moment of Silence for Tina Grady.

#### SOLICITOR'S REPORT

There was no solicitor's report.

#### **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Council received a copy of the report. Mr. Torpey advised that they did apply to Liquid Fuels and received permission to use the liquid fuels funds for the road program.

#### **CHIEF'S REPORT**

Mr. Shellenberger made a motion to approve the hiring of Tim McNamara as a part time police officer, seconded by Mr. Saunders.

Roll call vote was taken: Mr. Pirolli—for Mr. Pearl—for Mr. Shellenberger—for Mr. Saunders—for Ms. Gahagan—for Mr. Servis—for All of council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

Mr. Saunders asked Acting Chief Aldsworth about getting a police presence on Main Street. The Chief stated that the State Police will begin patrols on October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

#### FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT

Council received a copy of the report.

Mr. Pearl announced that on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> Bucks County Hazmat will be hosting a hazmat drill from 8 to noon on Main Street, at the LBCJMA water plant. Main street will be closed for the drill.

#### MISCELLANEOUS COUNCIL BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous council business.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Shellenberger to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Saunders. All of Council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Marks Borough Secretary