

**TYRONZA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
April 15th, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Tyronza City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Charles Glover. With the roll having been called, the following council members were recorded as present: Tony Turner, Ann Humphreys, Shirley Hindman, Angie Allison, Michael Hood and Barbara Ross. A quorum was declared. Also at the meeting were City Attorney Noyl Houston and Recorder/Treasurer Donna Wood.

The invocation was given by Barbara Ross.

Mayor Glover asked if there was a motion to suspend the reading of the March 9th, 2021 regular council meeting minutes. Tony Turner seconded by Angie Allison, moved to suspend the reading of the minutes. Upon a voice vote, the voting was as follows: Ayes: Unanimous.

Mayor Glover asked if there was a motion to approve the March 9th, 2021 minutes. Shirley Hindman seconded by Angie Allison, moved to approve the minutes. Upon a voice vote, the voting was as follows: Ayes: Unanimous

The expenditures were next on the agenda.

Charles asked for a motion to approve the expenditures for February & March 2021, Shirley Hindman, seconded by Tony Turner moved to approve the expenditures.

The floor was then opened up to discussion on the expenditures.

Barbara Ross questioned if a payment had been made to Vector for mosquito control.

The R/T said the payments would start in April and go through December. The contract stated that nine payments would be made per year and the first one would begin in April of each year.

Michael Hood made a comment on a check written to Vaughn for tires in the amount of \$1,291.00. He said that was a lot of money to pay for tires and thought the city was to check with Tommy's Repair in Tyronza before purchasing items outside of the City.

Charles said the vehicle was at Vaugh Ford for repairs and it was noted that new tires were needed and the tires were purchased from Vaughn Ford.

Michael said in the future, he would like to keep the City's business in Tyronza when possible and he felt that the City should check with Tommy's Repair before purchasing items needed for the City.

Shirley questioned a purchase for uniforms and asked if the uniforms were for Anquion.

Charles said the uniforms were for Anquion.

Shirley asked if the names were embroidered on the shirts.

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Charles said the names were embroidered on the shirts.

Shirley Hindman then commented on the conditions of some yards in town. She stated the condition of the yards was worse than ever. She said she had turned in a list of yards that needed attention and nothing had been done to the yards.

Charles said most of the people on the list had been contacted about their yards.

Shirley suggested stricter enforcement of the ordinance.

Charles said it was hard to constitute what was junk, who was to judge what was junk and what was not junk. He said the yards that had tall grass where able to be identified.

Tony said with the Spring Clean-up coming up soon, it would be a good time to take a copy of the ordinance to those places in question and for the City to tell those in violation of the ordinance the City was willing to work with them and if the problem was not corrected the penalties for violating the ordinance would be enforced.

Charles said that was a good idea.

There being no further discussion, upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve the February and March 2021 expenditures.

The meeting then moved to new business on the agenda.

Adding a third signature to the bank accounts was first in new business.

Michael Hood seconded by Angie Allison moved to appoint Barbara Ross as a third signer on the City's bank accounts. Upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve.

The purchase of a new police vehicle next on the agenda.

Mayor Glover gave the council members a copy of the bid specs on a new Ford Explorer police interceptor.

The council discussed the options and decided what options to include.

Charles said the City would pay for the car with Cares Act money and Water Reserve money.

Barbara Ross asked if an extended warranty could be purchased.

Charles said he wasn't sure but he would check to see if one could be purchased.

Tony Turner said if the car was purchased, he would like to see the car kept in town and not taken home.

Charles said if that was what the council wanted to do, that's what would be done.

Barbara Ross said if the council did not decide to keep the vehicle in town, she felt that GPS tracking should be put on the car.

Michael Hood said he was against purchasing a new police vehicle.

Noyl the read the proposed ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR PURCHASE OF 2021 FORD EXPLORER POLICE INTERCEPTOR THROUGH STATE PURCHASING PROGRAM", in full, thereby placing it upon its first reading.

Tony Turner, seconded by Ann Humphreys, moved that the rule requiring the reading of any ordinance in full on three different days be suspended, and that the ordinance be placed on its second reading by title only.

The Mayor put the question on the adoption of the motion to the council, and the roll was called. The vote was as follows: Ann Humphreys – Yes; Barbara Ross – Yes; Michael Hood – No; Shirley Hindman – No; Tony Turner – Yes; Angie Allison – Yes.

The Mayor declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the council having voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule, the motion was carried and the rule suspended. The ordinance was then read by title only, thereby placing it upon its second reading.

Angie Allison, seconded by Tony Turner, moved that the rule requiring the reading of any ordinance in full on three different days be further suspended, and that the ordinance be read by title only.

The Mayor put the question on the adoption of the motion to the council the roll was called and the voting was as follows: Ann Humphreys -Yes; Barbara Ross – Yes; Michael Hood – No; Shirley Hindman – Yes; Tony Turner – Yes; Angie Allison – Yes.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the council having voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule, the motion was carried and the rule suspended.

The ordinance was then read by title only, thereby placing it upon a third and final reading.

Tony Turner, seconded by Angie Allison, moved the ordinance be adopted.

The question was put by the Mayor to the council on the adoption of the motion, and the roll was called, the voting was as follows: Ann Humphreys – Yes; Barbara Ross – Yes; Michael – No; Shirley Hindman – No; Tony Turner – Yes; Angie Allison – Yes.

Angie Allison seconded by Tony Turner moved to adopt the emergency clause. Upon a voice vote, the voting was as follows: Ann Humphreys – Yes; Barbara Ross – Yes; Michael Hood – No; Shirley Hindman – No; Tony Turner – Yes; Angie Allison – Yes.

Mayor Glover thereupon declared the ordinance adopted and signed the ordinance which was attested by the city recorder, and sealed with the seal of the city. The ordinance was given NO 2021-004.

Charles reported that the American Rescue Act had been passed by the Federal Government and the City was projected to get \$67,000.00 in July of 2021 and \$67,000.00 in July of 2022. The City had until Dec 2024 to spend the money. One of the categories the money could be used was Water & Sewer infrastructure and he felt the City would be able to use the money to purchase electronic water meters. There are more guidelines that will be coming out.

Discussion about the City park was next on the agenda.

Charles said since there was more land being donated to the park, he would like to see a nice donation sign put up at the park recognized the people who donated the land the people who made other donations to the park.

The land donated was Tract 1 and included nine acres.

Charles said an appraisal would be done on the donated land.

Complaints about the tables being moved from under the pavilion and broken swings was discussed.

Michael Hood suggested the City look at getting port-a-potties for the park.

Charles said he would check on prices of port-a-potties.

A Safe Digging Proclamation was read. Centerpoint Energy asked for the City to make the proclamation.

Charles reported the old water tower repairs were currently being done.

Charles announced that the Personnel Policy Committee would meet, Tuesday, April 27th at 6:00 p.m. to discuss updating the policy.

The tornado siren was discussed. The encoder was broken. Chris Daniel said he was looking for another encoder. The siren can be set off on the digital radio that Chris has and the encoder in the City Hall.

The welcome to Tyronza sign on the interstate had blown down during a recent storm.

The Trinity Baptist Association would be in town sponsoring a block party on Saturday, May 15th.

Tony Turner talked to the Mayor and council about hiring a second police officer. He said the City should try more adverting for the position.

Chief Williams then addressed the council about 4-Wheelers and side by sides. He also spoke to the council about reports of him taking the police car out of town during the day.

The meeting was then adjourned.



Charles Glover, Mayor



Donna D Wood, Recorder/Treasurer