

**TYRONZA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
July 18th, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Tyronza City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Jeff Woods. With the roll having been called, the following council members were recorded as present: Willie Harris, Michael Hood, Daniel Brewington and Candace Drace. Absent: Barbara Ross and Angie Allison. A quorum was declared. Recorder/Treasurer Donna Wood was also at the meeting. City Attorney Noyl Houston was not able to attend the meeting.

The invocation was given by Daniel Brewington.

Mayor Woods asked if there was a motion to suspend the reading of the June 20th, 2024, regular council meeting minutes. Willie Harris, seconded by Michael Hood, moved to suspend the reading of the minutes. Upon a voice vote, the voting was as follows: Ayes: Unanimous.

Mayor Woods asked if there was a motion to approve the June 20th, 2024, regular council meeting minutes. Michael Hood, seconded by Daniel Brewington, moved to approve the minutes. Upon a voice vote, the voting was as follows: Ayes: Unanimous

The expenditures were next on the agenda.

Mayor Woods asked for a motion to approve the expenditures for June 2024.

Willie Harris, seconded by Daniel Brewington moved to approve the expenditures.

The expenditures were then open for discussion.

There was no discussion on the expenditures.

With there being no discussion on the expenditures, a voice vote was taken to approve the expenditures. The voting was unanimous to approve.

The meeting then moved to new business on the agenda.

Mayor Woods presented a quote, in the amount of \$2,964.38 on a new AWIN radio for the Police Chief's Dodge truck. He said the one in the truck was not working properly and was an older radio. The AWIN radio that was currently in the truck belonged to Scotty Williams with the Department of Emergency Services. He said when Poinsett County switches to the new digital radios, they would still use AWIN in case of emergencies.

Daniel asked if there were any other companies to get quotes from.

Mayor Woods said he was not sure. It was just a standard AWIN radio.

Willie Harris seconded by Daniel Brewington moved to purchase the AWIN radio for the police department.

Michael Hood asked what kind of warranty the radio had.

Mayor Woods said he was not sure what the warranty was on the vehicle. The radio that was in the truck lasted a long time.

A voice vote was then taken, and the voting was unanimous to approve.

A quote on putting signage on the equipment trailer the fire department recently purchased was presented to the council by Mayor Woods. The quote was in the amount of \$2,310.45.

Fire Chief Chris Daniels described the type of signage and what it would look like.

Daniel Brewington said if Chris wanted another quote, he could check with Sign It Up in Brookland.

Chris said he had been working with Crenshaw Signs for some time on a design and budget. He said he felt the quote that was given to him was really reasonable.

Michael asked Chris if he thought he should check with Sign It Up to get a price from them.

Chris said he had been working with Crenshaw for over a month on the design. He would hate to have to get someone else involved and it be another month before he could get the signage on the trailer.

Willie Harris said she felt the quote was not a bad price. She also asked if there was any type of warranty on the work.

Chris said it was as is.

Willie asked what would happen if the signage started peeling.

Chris said he had never known of any of their work to do that. He said he was sure that if that did happen, they would fix it.

Willie Harris, seconded by Candace Drace, moved to purchase the signage for the fire department's equipment trailer from Crenshaw Graphics. Upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve.

Mayor Woods said that Harold Blackwood's nephew and his stepson had purchased the old school on Highway 135, and he wanted to know if they could connect to the City's water line.

Mr. Blackwood said his nephew would be putting a small hardware store in the building. He said the owners would pay to put the line in. He said the owners would come to the council and talk to them about installing the line.

Mayor Woods said the City would have to see if it was doable first.

Chris Daniel said he would like to request that the amount he could purchase be increased from \$2,000.00. He suggested raising the spending limit to \$2,500.00.

Candace Drace said she would like to make a motion to raise the spending limit.

Donna Wood, the recorder/treasurer said the spending limit was set by ordinance, and it would take amending the ordinance to change that amount.

Chris asked if the \$2,000.00 was per account.

Mayor Woods explained it was per transaction.

Chris reported that the fire department currently had a full roster.

Willie Harris asked was the criteria for training for the new firefighters.

Chris explained the training for a new firefighter and existing firefighters. He also said the new fire turnouts were ordered that they would be purchased with the grant the fire department received.

Mayor Woods said there would be a presentation ceremony in Little Rock on August 6th, 2024, for the grant the fire department received.

Public input for the 2024 Fun Park Grant Application was next on the agenda.

Donna Wood explained the City would like to apply for the grant and the council had already passed a resolution to apply for the grant. Part of the application process was to have an agenda item at a regular council meeting for public input on what to apply for.

She also said a decision on what to apply for was dependent on whether the City received the Trails of Life Grant to repave the walking trail. The City did receive that grant and the walking trail would be repaved.

She then went over what the Fun Park Grant funds could be used for.

There was a Facebook post to ask for suggestions also and one of the suggestions was for a splash pad. The Fun Park Grant couldn't be used to build a splash pad.

Suggestions from those who were there were handicap swings for the park, benches, replace the pea gravel with a better fall zone material and a pickle ball court.

Mayor Woods asked what the deadline for the application was.

R/T Woods said the deadline was August 30th, 2024.

Mayor Woods asked if there was any other business the council wanted to discuss.

Harold Blackwood asked if he needed to ask his nephew and his stepson to come to the next council meeting so they could discuss the water line.

Mayor Woods suggested they come and see him so they could get a plan of what they were wanting to do and then they would present the plan to the council.

Michael Hood said the ditch beside the post office needed to be cleaned. He said there was a lot of vegetation growing in the ditch and it needed to be sprayed.

Mayor Woods said the side of the ditch would need to be leveled before it could be sprayed.

Chris McCorkle said he would take his dozer and knock the top of the levees off.

Daniel Brewington said there were some tall weeds growing at the grain bins that ASU was going to renovate.

Mayor Woods said he had talked to Penny and sent her picture of the weeds at the grain bins. He said he had Matt mow the weeds near the street. Penny said she would take care of the weeds.

Mayor Woods said he also called the Corporate office for Dollar General about the weeds and high grass at the store and they sent someone out to take care of it.

Willie Harris asked when the walking trail would be paved.

Recorder/Treasurer said there was a meeting with the grant administrator that was scheduled for the first of August. He would give the dos and don'ts and when to start.

With there being no further discussion, Michael Hood seconded by Daniel Brewington moved to adjourn the meeting. Upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous.



Jeff Woods, Mayor



Donna D Wood, Recorder/Treasurer