

**TYRONZA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
September 18th, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Tyronza City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Jeff Woods. A roll call was taken, and the following council members were recorded as present: Willie Harris, Michael Hood, Barbara Ross, Patty Barger, Daniel Brewington and Kristina Woods. A quorum was declared. Recorder/Treasurer Donna Wood was also at the meeting. City Attorney Jimmy Gazaway was not at the meeting.

The invocation was given by Barbara Ross.

Mayor Woods asked if there was a motion to suspend the reading of the August 21st, 2025, council meeting minutes. Willie Harris, seconded by Barbara Ross, 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 August 21st, 2025, regular council meeting minutes. Kristina Woods, seconded by Barbara Ross, moved to approve the minutes. Upon a voice vote, the voting was as follows: Ayes: Unanimous

The expenditure reports were next on the agenda.

Mayor Woods asked for a motion to approve the expenditures for August 2025.

Michael Hood, seconded by Willie Harris, moved to approve the expenditure reports.

Mayor Woods asked if there was any discussion on the expenditure reports.

Barbara Ross questioned a check written for \$361.37 for food machinery oil and asked what that was used for.

The R/T said it was food grade oil that is used with the water wells.

Barbara noted a check written for a vet bill. She asked if it was for a dog that was taken to the vet.

Mayor Woods said it was.

She asked if the dogs at the pound were being posted for adoption.

Mayor Woods said there hadn't been anything put out on social media for adoption.

Barbara said she would like to see any dogs at the pound be posted on social media for adoption before the dogs were euthanized.

Willie Harris asked why a Rueger rifle had been purchased.

Mayor Woods said the gun had been purchased for the police department.

Willie asked if the funds to pay for the gun should not have come out of the police funds instead of the general funds.

The R/T said the police funds were included in the general funds.

With there being no further discussion on the financial reports. Upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve.

First on the agenda in new business was a recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Committee on a rezoning request.

Chairman of the board, David Wood said the board had scheduled a meeting on September 15th, 2025. The board did not have a quorum. The petitioners were going to check on a date to where they would be available to meet.

The millage resolution was next on the agenda.

The Recorder/Treasurer then read the resolution in full.

Barbara Ross seconded by Willie Harris moved to adopt the resolution. Upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve.

Next on the agenda was discussion on the Grain Bin water bill.

Mayor Woods said that Penny Toombs had called and asked if the City could waive the fees for water services for the Grain Bins like it did for the Museum. The Mayor said he told her it was something he would need to run by the council. He said his recommendation was to not charge them for the water.

Barbara asked if the City would charge for the garbage. She said ASU would be renting the building out and there would be garbage that needed to be picked up. She also said ASU would be charging for the use of the building and they would charge enough to cover the cost.

The Mayor said ASU would probably pay for the garbage, he was just recommending the water fees be waived or even a certain amount of water be waived.

Barbara said if it was just for the museum with tourists just coming through to visit the museum that would be one thing, but with ASU charging a rental fee for the venue, she wasn't sure of how big of a thing that would be. She said she hoped it would be a big thing and if it did the City could revisit whether to charge or not charge for the water and maybe get some reimbursement.

Mayor Woods said the City might want to check with other locations that have a similar situation.

Willie asked if the museum was getting a water bill.

Mayor Woods said the museum was not getting a water bill.

Kris said she liked the idea of a cap on the amount of water used being waived.

Barbara suggested checking with the Municipal League to see if it was permitted to not charge for water services.

Daniel asked if there would be any tax revenue for the rental of the event center.

Mayor Woods said he was not sure, but he would check.

Mayor Woods asked if the council had any other business to discuss.

The Recorder/Treasurer said the City had some CDs that were maturing, and she had checked with Lisa Cavitt at Armor Bank, and she said the best rate was a six-month CD at 4.19 APR with at 4.26 APY and the best rate for an eight-month CD was 4% APR and 4.07% APY. If the City chose the six months, the CDs would have to be cashed in and redone.

The Recorder/Treasurer said she also wanted to call attention to the Street Fund Checking account balance and asked if the council wanted to transfer some money from one of the Street CDS that was renewing to the Street Checking account.

Barbara Ross, seconded by Daniel Brewington, moved to transfer \$10,000.00 from a Street CD to the Street Checking account. Upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve.

Barbara then recommended rolling the eight-month CDS over to the 4% APR and 4.07% APY.

Willie said she would recommend the 6-month CDs at the 4.19 APR and 4.26 APY.

Barbara Ross, seconded by Daniel Brewington, moved to roll the eight-month CDS over to the 4% APR and 4.07% APY. Upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve.

Willie Harris said several months ago the council talked about getting speed limit signs and none had been installed on her street.

Mayor Woods said he would check on getting the signs.

Barbara Ross said she had been doing some research on food truck regulations and suggested a committee meet to look at the regulations to see what would be good for Tyronza.

Barbara Ross, Daniel Brewington, Willie Harris and Kristina Woods agreed to meet on Monday, October 13th at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the regulations.

The Recorder/Treasurer also asked the council to think about a date to have the public hearing to increase the water rates. She said a public hearing was required. The council decided to have the public hearing before the city council meeting in October. The date would be Thursday, October 16th and the public meeting would start at 6 pm.

Barbara said she had been approached by someone who wanted to give a bid on the City's trash pickup. She asked when the contact with Deadman expired.

The Recorder/Treasurer said she would have to check and see.

Douglas Garnder asked to speak to the council. He said he would like to know where the council was at on making a decision about the continuous foliage barrier or obnoxious weed infested foliage barrier that runs along his land that was not zoned agriculture.

Mayor Woods said they did not have an answer yet.

Christine Garnder asked what the Mayor meant by saying "they did not have an answer yet"?

Mayor Woods said someone had to make the call and they were getting together on the decision, and they did not have an answer yet. He also said City Attorney Jimmy Gazaway was going to look into that. He then said if Mrs. Gardner wanted him to make the call, he would make the call.

Douglas Garnder said he wanted to remind the City of State Statutes 2-16-207 and 2-16-211 which already deems obnoxious weeds a public nuisance according to the state law.

Mrs. Gardner said that David said he wasn't aware that the mayor and council needed a recommendation from the planning and zoning board in order to take any kind of action. She said he said that Monday night. She then asked if they were getting together on that.

Mayor Woods said he was just waiting for them to make a recommendation. Then the council would make a decision.

Mrs. Gardner then asked if the land happens to be rezoned, how would that affect the violations.

Mayor Woods said he wasn't sure.

She said since they now knew it was a violation of state statutes, would that have any effect on anyone's decision. She said the planning and zoning committee had not set a meeting to make a recommendation or determination. She asked if it was going to be a lengthy process that goes out until the rezoning decision was made.

Mayor Woods said he did not have an answer for that.

She said they just wanted to know what was going on and it looked like someone would be able to tell them.

Mayor Woods said he was not expert on weeds or grass so he would not know.

David said they were in the process of setting up a meeting to try to get the problem resolved. He said he thought they had to give a fifteen-day notice of the meeting,

Mrs. Gardner asked if that was the meeting to decide if they would rezone the property.

David said that was not that meeting, he said they were going to sit down and discuss some things they had found out and give the council a recommendation on what they found.

Mrs. Gardner asked if the information was about the violation or the rezoning.

The Recorder/Treasurer said it was about whether the complaint was a violation of the zoning ordinance.

Mayor Woods announced the City would have its annual Block Party on October 7th at the downtown park and the Main Street Trunk or Treat would be Friday, October 31st.

Barbara Ross said the City needed to work with the city attorney on annexing the service road and sewer ponds into the city limits.

Willie Harris said her nephew Michael was telling her about a business called Retail Academy. She said it was an organization/company that would come into a community and do all the demographic information, everything a person would need to know if they wanted to put a business in a town. She said it was for fast foods, shops and businesses like that. She said she was going to do some more research. She said a place in Jonesboro had gotten around three million dollars from it.

Barbara asked Willie to find out some more information on it.

Scotty Thompson asked to speak with the council. He expressed his concerns about speeding and lack of signs on his street and asked for speed bumps to be installed on his street.

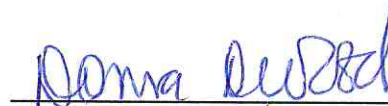
Mayor Woods said he would look into getting signs and speed bumps and where to put them.

Barbara said there were some trees that were grown up and coming out onto Junction Street that needed to be cut back.

There being no further business, Michael Hood seconded by Willie Harris moved to adjourn.



Jeff Woods, Mayor



Donna D Wood, Recorder/Treasurer