

TYRONZA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SPECIAL MEETING
February 5th, 2026

The special 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. City Attorney Jimmy Gazaway and Recorder/Treasurer Donna Wood were also at the meeting

The special meeting was called to discuss the entertainment contract for the M J Illusion Act for the Starts & Stripes Festival in June 2026.

The council members were given a copy of the contract prepared by City Attorney Gazaway to review before the council meeting.

Discussion on the Stars and Stripes Festival Contract was as follows:

A question was raised about why the city needs to sign a contract for the festival.

It was explained that private donations for the festival are given to the city, making it a city-sponsored event.

The funds are held in a city account and must comply with state laws and city spending guidelines.

The city's spending ordinance requires council approval for contracts above a certain amount, after which the mayor can sign.

Management of Festival Funds

A suggestion was made for the festival organizers to open their own bank account to manage funds independently from the city in the future.

It was noted that money donated to the city cannot simply be "cashed out" and handed to organizers; it must be used to pay festival expenses.

For future fundraising, organizers could establish a nonprofit entity (e.g., 501©(3)) to manage funds separately.

This would require organizers to handle their own minutes, board meetings, and compliance—recognized as a significant volunteer effort. Without nonprofit status, using a personal Social Security number for an account would create tax implications.

Contract Approval and Implications

The contract states that payments can only be made if donated funds are available in the city account; city general funds will not be used.

After discussion, Michael Hood made a motion that was seconded by Daniel Brewington to authorize the mayor to sign the contract on behalf of the city.

A roll call vote was conducted, and the voting was as follows: Kristiana Woods-Yes; Patty Barger-Yes; Barbara Ross-Yes, Willie Harris-Yes, Michael Hood-Abstained, Daniel Brewington-Yes. The motion passed.

With there being no further business, Michael Hood, seconded by Kristian Woods, moved to adjourn.



Jeff Woods, Mayor



Donna D Wood, Recorder/Treasurer