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City Council January 27, 2015 Minutes

The Tontitown City Council is scheduled for Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the Tontitown City Hall, located at 235 East Henri De Tonti Boulevard, Tontitown, Arkansas.

1. Meeting Call to Order

2. Roll Call – A present were Henry Piazza, Joe Edgmon, Rhonda Doudna, Larry Ardemagni, Arthur Penzo, Tommy Granata, Mayor Paul Colvin Jr., Attorney Nick Corcoran and R/T Alicia Collins

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approval of Agenda – A motion made by Penzo to approve the agenda and 2nd by Edgmon, motion passed unanimously.

5. Comments from Citizens

Clint Penzo, 445 Liberty Avenue, stated that one of the reasons the City Council is wanting to switch back to TAFD is because they want to save money. It is cheaper to keep the City Fire Department. The Act 833 money will go back to TAFD so the City will lose that money. The Cities green opportunity will be lost. There has been several grants already received by the City Fire Department. Think really seriously before this is done. The excuse for saving the City money isn't true.

6. Old Business:

a) Discussion of TAFD Contract – Granata – Granata stated that he had some contracts to review and after the last budget review I took it upon myself to probably focus on the lessor contract. Before you is the contract in the amount of \$175,000 and the labor has been changed up a little bit to put a few more man hours in the facility, that will be up to TAFD. This is a contract for services, we will keep the department but TAFD will use it and run it. This contract is similar to the last contracts in the past. I believe that Act 833 monies will still come to the City. Doudna asked if it was a 2 year contract. Granata stated that is what they wanted and he sees that it is fine. Edgmon asked about the grants. Granata stated he doesn't know why we wouldn't. Doudna stated that we still have to put money in the budget for maintenance. A motion made by Doudna to move to the City Council meeting and 2nd by Piazza, motion passed with 1 abstained and 5 for.

7. New Business:

a) Kristopher Arthur's Appeal – Kristiopher Arthur's Attorney George Rozzell went over why Kristopher should be reinstated after being let go by Mayor Colvin Jr. He also presented a couple documents for the council to review. Kristopher Arthur read an email he had sent to Mayor Colvin Jr. on 1/7/15. George Rozzell went of the City Personnel Handbook on terminating employees. Corcoran went over the rules of the motion to be made and what can be discussed in the meeting. Penzo and Doudna asked if they could talk about this without Kristopher Arthur. A

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motion made by Penzo to go into Executive Session to reconsider the reinstatement of Kristopher Arthur and 2nd by Doudna, motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned to go into Executive Session. The meeting was opened after Executive Session. A motion made by Granata to reconvene and 2nd by Ardemagni, motion passed unanimously. A motion made by Piazza to take no action at this time and 2nd by Doudna, motion passed unanimously.

8. Comments from Alderman

Granata – None

Arthur – None

Ardemagni – None

Doudna – None

Edgmon – None

Piazza asked why the Police Chief in Rogers could retire from Bentonville but then go back to work as a Chief in Rogers but we can't do that here. Ardemagni stated if he is correct you can retire once and go back but not twice.

9. Comments from Mayor

None

10. Comments from City Attorney

None

11. Adjournment – A motion made by Penzo to Adjourn and 2nd by Doudna, motion passed unanimously.