Mayor – Angela Russell Recorder – Rhonda Ardemagni City Attorney –Justin Eichmann Law Firm--Harrington-Miller City Engineer – Zak Johnston



Ward 1 Position 1 - Misty Piazza
Ward 1 Position 2— Amber Ibarra
Ward 2 Position 1—Daniel Montez
Ward 2 Position 2—Larry Ardemagni
Ward 3 Position 1—Mike Washkowiak
Ward 3 Position 2—Tim Burress

# Committee of The Whole February 6, 2024 Minutes

The Tontitown Committee of the Whole meeting is scheduled for Tuesday February 6, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Tontitown City Hall, Tontitown, Arkansas and via Microsoft Teams.

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- 1. Meeting Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call

Tim Burress was absent.

- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Approval of Agenda

Mike Washkowiak motioned to approve the agenda. Second by Misty Piazza

**Motion Passes Unanimously** 

5. Approval of January 2, 2024, COW Minutes

Amber Ibarra motioned to approve the minutes. Second by Mike Washkowiak

Daniel Montez Voted- YES
Larry Ardemagni Voted- ABSTAINED
Misty Piazza Voted- YES
Mike Washkowiak Voted- YES
Amber Ibarra Voted- YES

**Motion Passes** 

#### 6. Comments from Citizens

Brad Bruns 861 Verona Ave. Tontitown, AR

1. Mr. Bruns wanted to introduce himself and to let everyone know that he is a candidate for the Washington County Justice of the Peace- District 1.

Kenneth Lovett 18702 Clearwater RD. Fayetteville, AR

1. Still requiring assistance with the Waste Management issues and asked that everyone attend the three-day hearing in Little Rock.

Nina Brown 1851 S. Pianalto Tontitown, AR

- 1. Thanked the council for their service.
- 2. Asked the council to consider keeping Waste Management under control by enforcing the rules and regulations.
- 3. Waste Management is keeping the residents confused when trying to file a complaint, their website is down, they direct you to different departments etc.
- 4. Asked the council to stay in contact with the citizens.

James Dean 1025 Trailwood Street Tontitown, AR

- 1. Thinks the new Fire Station is fantastic.
- 2. Thanked all who were involved.
- 3. Time for a Police Station.

#### 7. Old Business:

A. Discussion regarding updates on the Bond Election on November's Ballot- Angie/Justin/Kevin F.

The City Attorney Justin Eichmann informed the council of the new laws that have been enforced and the city did not qualify within those guidelines. Mr. Eichmann and Kevin Faught informed the council what the city's options are moving forward.

Reference YouTube for the detailed discussion.

#### 8. New Business:

A. Discussion of Quarterly Reports- Angie/Mark Latham

Reference the city website for detailed report.

B. Discussion of a Resolution to amend the 2023 Budget for actual revenues & expenditures - Angie/Patrick

The city has determined, through a study of current finances, that there is an immediate need to amend the 2023 budget to reconcile the actual expenditures and receipts with the 2023 budget predictions.

Mike Washkowiak motioned to move to the next City Council Meeting. Second by Amber Ibarra

**Motion Passes Unanimously** 

C. Discussion of a Resolution authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute a contract with Black Hills Energy for the relocation of a gas main- Angie/Zak

City of Tontitown has completed the design of a half street improvement project along Mantegani Road, and has found that a gas main is in conflict with the proposed street improvements from HWY 412 to Sbanotto Avenue, relocating of the gas main is approximately \$62,010.00.

Tim Burress joined the meeting by Teams.

Misty Piazza motioned to move to the next City Council Meeting. Second by Daniel Montez

**Motion Passes Unanimously** 

D. Discussion of a Resolution by the city to appoint a representative to the Benton Washington Regional Public Water Authority- Angie/James

Benton Washington Regional Public Water Authority provides wholesale water to the City of Tontitown, the City Council believes it to be in the best interests of the city to appoint the current Public Works Director (or successor to that position) to represent the City of Tontitown to the Benton Washington Regional Public Water Authority, or in absence of the Current Public Works Director, the current City Engineer (or successor to that position).

Misty Piazza motioned to move to the next City Council Meeting. Second by Mike Waskowiak

**Motion Passes Unanimously** 

E. Discussion of a Resolution to authorize a work order for phase 2 of the stormwater master plan-Angie/James/Mark/Zak

City of Tontitown previously executed an agreement with Garver, LLC to develop a Stormwater Master Plan ("SWMP"); and upon review of the SWMP Phase 1 report and consultation with the project engineer, the City requested a work order in the amount of \$46,650.00 in order to expand the scope of services for Garver, LLC to perform a detailed study of Model No. 3, the tributary to Little Wildcat Creek along South Barrington Road.

Misty Piazza motioned to move to the next City Council Meeting. Second by Amber Ibarra

**Motion Passes Unanimously** 

F. Discussion of an ordinance to amend section 51.04 Water Service Rates - Angie/James

It has come to the attention of the City Council of the City of Tontitown that Section 51.04 Water Service Rates of the Tontitown Municipal Code requires an amendment in order to a correct a typographical error with regard to the out of city base rate charge for a 5/8ths inch water meter; and the typographical error reflects that the out of city base rate charge for a 5/8ths inch water meter is \$24.44, when the correct charge should be reflected as \$22.64.

Amber Ibarra motioned to move to the next City Council Meeting. Second by Daniel Montez

**Motion Passes Unanimously** 

G. Discussion of adding two new board members to the Tontitown Historical Museum Board – Angie
 Misty Piazza said the new Board Members will be replacing 4 positions- 2 Junior and 2 Regular.

## 9. Comments from Council Members

The Mayor and all Council members expressed their deepest sympathy to the Donnie Davis family, who suffered the tragic loss of their son Joseph. The city asked that everyone keep the Davis family in their prayers as they journey through this difficult time.

Additional Comments Below-

Larry Ardemagni

1. Thanked the city employees.

# Misty Piazza

- 1. Thanked everyone for their support for the New Tontitown City Fire Station and attending the Open House.
- 2. Thanked all the business for attending the Coffee and Conversation, P&K Equipment will by hosting the next Coffee and Conversation.

## 10. Comments from Mayor

The mayor wanted to inform the citizens that spoke earlier that she is in Little Rock attending the hearing for the Class 1 Landfill and that she and the council are fighting as hard as they can for the safety of the citizens of Tontitown.

- 11. Comments from Attorney- NONE
- 12. Adjournment- ALL IN FAVOR