

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**  
**April 2, 2024**  
**Minutes**

**The Tontitown Committee of the Whole meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 2, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Tontitown City Hall, Tontitown, Arkansas and via Microsoft Teams.**

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Meeting Call to Order

Roll Call- All in attendance.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Agenda

Daniel Montez motioned to approve.  
Second by Mike Washkowiak

Motion Passes Unanimously

3. Approval of March 7, 2024, COW Minutes

Amber Ibarra motioned to approve.  
Second by Misty Piazza

Motion Passes Unanimously

4. Comments from Citizens

Kenneth Lovett 18702 Clearwater Rd., Fayetteville, AR

1. Continued issues with odors and vapors.

2. Wants to utilize the air test unit the city purchased, now that chemicals are known to be benzene and acrolein and would like the city to send out someone that is qualified to do the testing.

Mark Calcagni 12642 Arbor Acres Rd., Tontitown, AR

1. Congratulations to the Bures's on their 20<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.
2. **Asked for help concerning the air and water quality, after speaking with a prominent judge and that person suggests having ordinances put in place for both, for the safety and health of the people.**
3. Pollution Control and Ecology Meeting is Friday April 26<sup>th</sup>.

5. Old Business: NONE

6. New Business:

- A. A Discussion of Impact Study; no attachments -Angie/Mark

Mark Latham presented the impact study that was done by Duncan/Associates.

Connor with Crafton Tull and on behalf of Mathias Properties wanted on record that due to the high number, they oppose the impact fees and will deter some development in Tontitown.

Reference YouTube for the lengthy discussion.

Mike Washkowiak motioned to adopt a 10% impact fee on the seven-businesses brought to us by Mr. Latham using Amber Ibarra's calculations and institute the impact fees at a 25% rate and evaluate at any time and move to the Special Meeting following this meeting.

Second by Amber Ibarra

Daniel Montez Voted- NO

Larry Ardemagni Voted- NO

Tim Burress Voted- NO

Misty Piazza Voted- NO

Mike Washkowiak Voted- YES

Amber Ibarra Voted- Yes

4 Votes-NO to 2 Votes- YES

Motion Fails

Daniel Montez motioned to Table to the next City Council Meeting and schedule a workshop in between.

Second by Tim Burress

Daniel Montez Voted- YES

Larry Ardemagni Voted- YES

Tim Burress Voted- YES

Misty Piazza Voted- NO

Mike Washkowiak Voted- YES

Amber Ibarra Voted- NO

4 Votes- YES to 2 Votes- NO  
Motion Passes

## 7. Comments from Council Members

Mike Washkowiak

1. Regarding Waste Management, there is a website that maybe the city can put in a link, so citizens can view all the information on A.D.E.Q. website. ([www.adeq.state.ar.us/commission/p.aspx](http://www.adeq.state.ar.us/commission/p.aspx)). There is a lot of stuff in there about their decision and we believe the citizens and the mayor has done everything humanly possible and the motion that eco vista submitted got their stay granted were based on economics nothing defending their safety record. We just want Waste Management to do the right thing but the silence from them is deafening and they can afford to get someone up here to explain their position and talk to the people and explain what they are doing to mitigate these damages, we just want answers. This is going to be a long fight.

Tim Burress

1. Waste Management gets away with wrongdoing and agrees with Mike.
2. Thanked all those who came to tonight's meeting and those who spoke.
3. Celebrating his 20<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

Daniel Montez

1. Thanked all those who came to tonight's meeting and those who spoke.
2. Hope the city can find someone qualified to buy the tubes and perform those tests and keep a record of the findings.
3. Reminder of Commission meeting in Little Rock on April 26<sup>th</sup>.
4. Thanked Mark Latham for his presentation on the impact study and is looking forward to a productive work session and hopefully come up with a solution we can all put our stamp on.

Misty Piazza

1. Thanked all those who came to tonight's meeting.
2. The council wants to make the right decision that impacts us correctly and that we are growing correctly and sometimes it's a challenge when you have different opinions but that's what makes us a council.

3. Thanked those who spoke tonight on Waste Management, and this is a heart-wrenching uphill battle.
4. Thanked those who attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> Coffee and Conversation that was hosted by Melissa and Jeff Bowen of Venesian Inn Restaurant, it was a great time. Also wanted to thank the members of the new Tontitown Community Foundation for attending and is excited for the Foundation and where it's heading.
5. **April 20<sup>th</sup> Spring Tontitown Family Fun Day Event, starting at 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM- Car Show, men's, women's, and mixed divisions Pickleball Tournament, Kids Market, food trucks-Williams Soul Food Fried Chicken, C&D Concessions, Funnel Cake and Cotton Candy Trucks, and a Hispanic Booth.**

**Amber Ibarra**

1. **Happy Anniversary to the Burress's.**

**Larry Ardemagni**

1. **Thanked Kenneth Lovett and Mark Calcagni for their due diligence.**
2. **Check your Waste Management bill some folks were charged \$70.00 to reinstate bill not sure what that's about.**

8. **Comments from Mayor**

1. Do check your Waste Management bills and for those living on Dowell and Klenc you should not be being charged, if so contact her and she do what she can to mitigate that.
2. Thanked everyone for coming out.
3. **Happy Anniversary to the Burress's.**

9. **Comments from Attorney**

10. **Adjournment- Amber Ibarra motioned to adjourn All in Favor**