

Mayor – Angela Russell  
Recorder – Rhonda Ardemagni  
City Attorney –Justin Eichmann  
Law Firm--Harrington-Miller  
City Engineer – CK Civil  
Engineering



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  
December 5, 2024  
Minutes**

**The Tontitown Committee of the Whole meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 5, 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  
Amber Ibarra was absent

**(The mayor's vote may be needed for passage).**

3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda

Mike Washkowiak motioned to approve the agenda.  
Second by Tim Burress

Motion Passes Unanimously

5. Approval of November 7, 2024, COW Minutes

Mike Washkowiak motioned to approve the minutes.  
Second by Tim Burress

Motion Passes Unanimously

6. Comments from Citizens-

Kenneth Lovett 18702 Clearwater RD., Fayetteville, AR

1. Complained to ADQ about some issues and an investigation was conducted.
2. Read the response from ADQ. (Reference YouTube for detailed information)

7. Old Business:

A. A discussion of Water and Sewer Impact Fees

On or about September 19, 2023, the City Council passed Ordinance No. 2023-09-1074 which enacted water and wastewater impact fees and adopted rules and regulations related thereto for the City of Tontitown, Arkansas, and the adopted rates in Ordinance No. 2023-09-1074 reflected an amount equivalent to 25% of the maximum amount allowed by the impact fee study that was adopted by the City Council.

The City of Tontitown finds it necessary to amend Ordinance No. 2023-09- 1074 in order to adjust the water and wastewater impact fees to an amount equivalent to 50% of the maximum amount allowed by the adopted study, and to revise the rules and regulations pertaining to eligible improvements to enhance the capacity of the water or wastewater system.

Daniel Montez motioned to raise the amount to 100 % and move to the next City Council Meeting.  
Second by Tim Burress

Daniel Montez Voted- Yes  
Larry Ardemagni Voted- NO  
Tim Burress Voted- YES  
Misty Piazza Voted- NO  
Mike Washkowiak Voted- NO  
Mayor Russell Voted- NO

Motion Fails

Daniel Montez motioned to raise the amount to 75% rather than 50% and move to the next City Council Meeting.  
Second by Tim Burress

Motion Fails

Misty Piazza motioned to move forward the request as written (50%) and move to the next City Council Meeting.  
Second by Tim Burress

Daniel Montez Voted- NO  
Larry Ardemagni Voted- YES  
Tim Burress Voted- YES  
Misty Piazza Voted- YES  
Mike Washkowiak Voted- YES

Motion Passes

B. A discussion of the Development Agreement for Renley Rae

Daniel Montez motioned to move to the next City Council Meeting with the agreement to be completed and signed by the developer prior to the meeting.

Second by Misty Piazza

Motion Passes unanimously

8. New Business:

A. A discussion of the Bandini Resolution- Mark Latham

Discussion of a Resolution expressing the willingness of the City of Tontitown to utilize state aid street monies for Tontitown resurfacing project.

Daniel Montez motioned to move to the next City Council Meeting.

Second by Misty Piazza

Motion Passes Unanimously

B. Waterworth Financial Utility Planning presentation- No attachments – Mark Latham/James Clark

The City of Tontitown provided Waterworth with its 10-year Plan information where it was computed in their software, this guide will help the council and future council make more informed decisions as the city grows.

Aryan Chawla with Waterworth gave a lengthy presentation via TEAMS.

Reference YouTube for details.

C. A presentation of the Salary Administration Procedure Guide- Mark Latham

Mark Latham presented to the council the Salary Administration Procedure Guide, which covered the overview of salary, job descriptions, job responsibilities, classifications, salary structure, job performance and more.

Misty Piazza motioned to move to the next City Council Meeting.

Second by Daniel Montez

Motion Passes Unanimously

D. A presentation of the Simple Grant Program– Mark Latham

This was a discussion only

The Comprehensive Grant Strategy identifies public and private grant opportunities and establishes a timeline for submitting the applications over 12 months. The Comprehensive Grant Strategy focuses on posted federal and state funding opportunities that can support the following priorities identified by the City of Tontitown.

Refence YouTube for details.

- E. A discussion of a Resolution to amend the 2024 budget to appropriate funds for a one-time end of year bonus- Mayor

Tontitown City Council would like to recognize the efforts of full-time city employees through the award of a one-time end of the year bonus, in the amount of up to \$1000.00, less withholdings, for which funding must be provided, and the City Council has determined that sufficient funds are available for this appropriation.

Misty Piazza motioned to move to the next Special Meeting following tonight's Committee of the Whole.

Second by Daniel Montez

Motion Passes Unanimously

- F. A discussion of prayer before meetings-Tim Burress

Tim Burress would like this added to the parliamentary rules.

The city will speak with the City Attorney regarding this request.

#### 9. Comments from Council Members

Mike Washkowiak

1. Thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting.

Daniel Montez

1. Thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting and those participating in the discussion.
2. Enjoyed tonight's discussions.
3. Thanked all city employees and council.

Misty Piazza

1. Thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting.
2. Saturday is Shop with a Cop, so you have until then to donate.
3. Farmers Market vendors will be setting up booths in the Council Chambers of City Hall on December 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

Larry Ardemagni

1. Thanked city staff and city employees.

#### 10. Comments from Mayor

1. I received a call from a mother whose 24-year-old son lives on Harmon Rd. with his grandparents and was diagnosed with numerous health issues that doctors say can be caused by environmental triggers in the mutating genes. Two of the chemicals that were at the highest levels from our air testing is what their doctors have said could have caused the triggering or the actual disease. The mother was unable to attend tonight's meeting but plans to attend the next meeting. Please keep this young man and his family in your prayers also, a GOFUNDME account has been setup.

- 11. Comments from Attorney
- 12. Adjournment- All in Favor

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024.

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Angela Russell, Mayor**

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Rhonda Ardemagni, City Clerk-Treasurer**  
**(SEAL)**