

Council Meeting
November 6, 2023

Turtle Creek Borough regular monthly Council Meeting, held on November 6, 2023, was called to order by President Nick Bianchi who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Borough Council had a session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss personal issues.

A moment of Silence was observed for Thomas Linsenbigler, prior Turtle Creek Fire Department Chief.

Roll Call:

President Bianchi – present	Mr. Osman -- present
Mr. Estocin – present	Mr. Spencer – present
Ms. Henkel – present	Mrs. Tinsley -- present
Mr. Nolan – present	Mayor Forgie – present
Solicitor – present	

Approval of the October 2023 minutes:

Motion

Mr. Spencer, Mr. Nolan approving the October 2023 minutes as submitted. Motion carried. Mr. Osman abstain.

Correspondence: None

Citizens Reports:

Lori Weisend- 426 George Street-Children in the area has been causing damage to her property and leaving trash in her yard. Can the parents of the children be given a citation for their actions?
Answer: Yes, they can.

Beth Hamill- 1413 Maple Avenue-Thanked Council for having Maple Avenue paved. Will there be a Christmas Light Up the Creek this year? Ms. Henkel is still deciding if it will take place this year. Asked Mayor Forgie if CONNECT resource could help the community. Answer: Mayor Forgie said he would look into CONNECT.

Committee Reports:

Mr. Bianchi- Ordinance #1153-Repealing Ordinance #837- Establishing new regulations related to Street Openings and Restoration, authorizing to charge permit fees and establish bonding requirements.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Spencer approving Ordinance #1153, Street Opening, Restoration, permit fees and Bonding. Motion carried.

The Borough is applying for CD Year 50. Two concurring resolutions required. First resolution is paving in the Stewart Street area. Second resolution for Catch Basins in various locations around town.

Motion

Mrs. Tinsley, Ms. Henkel approving the two concurring resolutions for CD Year 50. Motion carried.

The following are the dates for the 2024 Budget meetings:

The 2024 Budget Public hearing is on Monday, November 20, 2023, The 2024 Tentative Budget meeting will be held on Monday, December 18, 2023 and the Final Budget meeting will be held on Thursday, December 28, 2023. All meetings start at 6:30p.m.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Spencer approving the 2024 Budget Meetings. Motion carried.

Ms. Henkel- None

Mr. Osman- None

Mr. Estocin- None

Mrs Tinsley- On October 21 the PITT Students came to the Home Plate Garden to help closed down for the year. Some longtime volunteers will not be returning next year. If interested in volunteering a meeting will be held on November 14, 2023.

Mr. Nolan- None

Mr. Spencer- The 5 years handicapped parking spot renewals are as follows:
921 Lynn Avenue, which has a handicap spot in the vicinity, has submitted all the required documents.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Osman approving the renewal of the handicap spot in the vicinity of 921 Lynn Ave.
Question: Anyone that has the proper documents can park in the spot. Motion carried.

1121 Lynn Avenue, which has a handicap spot in the vicinity, has submitted all the required documents.

Motion

Mr. Nolan, Mrs. Tinsley approving the renewal of the handicap spot in the vicinity of 1121 Lynn Ave.
Question: Anyone that has the proper documents can park in the spot. Motion carried.

There are three (3) handicapped spots to be removed at the request of the original requestor.

11-D Carothers Drive spot no longer needed and there were no other requests.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Oman approving the removal of the handicap spot located at 11-D Carothers Drive.
Motion carried.

140-C Watson Drive spot no longer needed and there were no other requests.

Motion

Mr. Osman, Ms. Henkel approving the removal of the handicap spot located at 140-C Watson Drive.
Motion carried.

135-A Watson Drive spot no longer needed and there were no other requests.

Motion

Mr. Osman, Mrs. Tinsley approving the removal of the Handicap spot located at 135-A Watson Drive.
Motion carried.

Now that Maple Avenue has been paved the committee will be investigating on the adding additional stop signs along Maple Avenue. The Committee findings will be announced at the next Council meeting.

The Civil Service will be conducting a Police test on November 14, 2023.

Police and Public Safety

Mayor Forgie- The State Police are responding to all 3rd Shift calls. Once hiring occurs the State Police will no longer be needed.

Upcoming meeting with EOS Energy will be held at the Woodland Hills High School on November 28 at 5:30p.m. This is a community meeting explaining how EOS can support the local towns.

Last week I attended at meeting regarding the proposed National Museum of Broadcasting. Looking for funding and location is in East Pittsburgh at the old bank.

Chief's Report for October 2023:

• Total Incidents	409
• Total Lockups	4
• Traffic	55
• Suspicious Person	7
• Thefts	9
• Stolen Vehicles	2
• Wanted Persons	3
• PSP Handled Calls	6
• Transport to ACJ	3
• Repo	4
• Investigations	2
• Dispute/Domestics	41
• Juvenile Comp/Runaway	14
• DOA	2
• Check the Welfare	9
• Accidents	12
• Animals Comp.	10
• Other	179

10-Properties were issued an Ordinance violation or warning.

Solicitor – None

Old Business:

- Ratifying payment of the October 2023 bills in the amount of \$503,989.29.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Spencer ratifying the action taken by the Borough Administrator in the payment of the October 2023 bills in the amount of \$503,989.29. Motion carried.

New Business: None

Motion

Mrs. Tinsley, Ms. Henkel adjourning until the next meeting on Monday, December 4, 2023 at 7pm. Motion carried.

Recorded by Julie Pantalone