

Turtle Creek Borough regular monthly Council Meeting, held on July 8, 2024, was called to order by President Nick Bianchi who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

President Bianchi – present
Mr. Estocin – present
Ms. Henkel – present
Mr. Nolan – present
Solicitor – present

Mr. Sanker -- present
Mr. Spencer – present
Mr. King -- present
Mayor Forgie – absent

Approval of the June 2024 minutes:

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Estocin approving the June 2024 minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Citizens Report: Chris Marino-1451 Chestnut Street-Some one on Chestnut Street is operating an Auto Body Shop. The work is being done on the street. Reported that cars are using Chestnut Street as a cut thru and they are speeding.

Council stated that the address will be given to the COG for them to investigate.

Committee Reports:

Mr. Bianchi- A new laundry mat in the Penn Plaza is asking this Council to approve Resolution #720-24 Sewer tap-in.

Motion

Mr. Spencer, Ms. Henkel approving Resolution #720-24 Laundry Mat sewer tap in. Motion carried.

Ms. Henkel- None

Mr. King-The Turtle Creek Watershed is asking for their annual membership. The annual membership is \$100.00.

Motion

Mr. King, Mr. Sanker approving the annual membership to the Turtle Creek Watershed in the amount of \$100.00.
Motion carried.

The Turtle Creek Rotary Club is asking for a sponsorship for the Turtle Trot on Saturday, July 27, 2024. The silver sponsorship level of \$250.00.

Motion

Mr. King, Ms. Henkel approving the Silver sponsorship to the Turtle Creek Rotary club in the amount of \$250.00.
Motion carried.

Mr. Estocin- Asbestos studies are needed for the GEDTF Demolition structures. The Borough received a quote from Allegheny Global for \$6,250.00 for all the structures.

Motion

Mr. Estocin, Mr. King approving the quote received for the asbestos studies in the amount of \$6,250.00 from Allegheny Global. Motion carried.

Mr. Nolan-Asking for approval of the Police and Public Safety Committee to look into ways to get traffic to slow down on the borough streets. Mr. Bianchi added to also make it safe for the pedestrian crossings.

Motion

Mr. Nolan, Mr. King approving the Committee to look into traffic concerns on the Borough's streets. Motion carried.

Mr. Sanker- None

Mr. Spencer- The Borough was required to complete some maintenance on the Penn Avenue Bridge, sidewalk and curb repair. The lowest bidder was Satira Construction in the amount of \$12,200.00.

Motion

Mr. Spencer, Ms. Henkel approving Satira Construction to the required maintenance on the Penn Avenue Bridge in the amount of \$12,000.00. Motion carried.

The hiring of two full time officers. Both officers have completed the requirements for the positions.
First hire is Dennis Rupert at the starting wage of \$28.85

Motion

Mr. Spencer, Mr. Sanker approving the hiring on Dennis Rupert as a full-time police officer at the rate of \$28.85.
Motion carried.

Second hire is Russell Stroschein at the starting wage of \$28.85.

Motion

Mr. Spencer Mr. Sanker approving the hiring of Russell Stroschein as a full-time officer at the rate of \$28.85.
Motion carried.

Police and Public Safety

Ms. Henkel read the chief report:

Chief's Report for June 2024:

Total Incidents	361	Year to date	2435
• Total Lockups	2		
• Traffic	54		
• Suspicious Person	17		
• Thefts	2		
• Stolen Vehicles	1		
• Wanted Persons	2		
• Shots Fired	2		
• Transport to ACJ	1		
• Overdose	4		
• Investigations	4		
• Dispute/Domestics	21		
• Juvenile Comp/Runaway	6		
• Walk in to station	56		
• Check the Welfare	11		
• Accidents	12		
• Animals Comp.	19		
• Other	147		

Solicitor – None

Old Business:

- Ratifying payment of the June 2024 bills in the amount of \$647,807.64. The largest being the payment to ALCOSAN in amount of \$418,714.09.

Motion

Mr. Estocin, Mr. Sanker ratifying the action taken by the Borough Administrator in the payment of the June 2024 bills in the amount of \$647,807.64. Motion carried.

New Business: None

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Spencer adjourning until the next meeting on Monday, August 5, 2024 at 7pm. Motion carried.

Recorded by Julie Pantalone