

Turtle Creek Borough regular monthly Council Meeting, on June 1, 2026 was called to order by President Nick Bianchi who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

President Bianchi – present
Mr. Spencer – present
Ms. Henkel – present
Mr. Nolan – absent
Solicitor – present

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

Approval of the May 2026 minutes:

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Sanker approving the May 2026 as submitted. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

The Turtle Creek Valley Rotary Club is holding their 34th Annual Turtle Trot 5K walk and run on Saturday, July 25, 2026.

Citizens Report: Statement from Council President Bianchi: Any resident or taxpayer may speak to council. Speaker will have 4 minutes to address council.

James Park- Owns 535 Stewart Street-Trash needs to be cleaned up on Stewart Street. The steps next to 535 Stewart Street have leaves, grass and bushes that need cut and cleaned up. Maintenance needs done to the steps. Car across the street has not moved since October. Tires need to be removed from two vacant properties one is 540 Stewart Street.

President Bianchi to have code enforce check the vacant properties. The Street Department has already removed approximately 25 tires from lots in that area. Council might close the step down.

Godfrey & Elise McClung- 962 Oxford Street-People are parking on the wrong side of the road. Asking for another no parking this side on the street. The Do Not Enter sign needs to be positioned differentially, people keep driving the wrong way. The police department has been a help with these issues. Council will look into additional signs..

Anna Lawson- 376 Highland Avenue-asked if the street department will fill the potholes on Highland Avenue-Osborne Street under the trestle. Asked if mirrors could be put on the curves on Highland Avenue.

Chris Marino- 1451 Chestnut Street-A young man has been riding \up and down on a mini bike on Chestnut Street. The area were the Gas Company opened the street is sinking. Council will have someone notify the Gas company.

Myka Donati- 618 Mercer Street-During the snow storm it took 5 days to get the alley behind Mercer Street cleared. People are driving the wrong way on Mercer Street, asked for a one way sign. It looks like the alley way between George Street and Mercer Street is sinking. After the snow storm council hired an outside contractor which hauled away all the snow from the alleys.

Mark Volk-636 Mercer Street-Wanted to know who and how many people were shot at the incident near 7-11 store. Mr. Evashavik responded that it is an ongoing investigation so there will be no comment at this time.

Tim Rossetti-40-D Boone Drive-Asst. Fire Chief-Juveniles hanging out in the 300 block of James Street. The Fire department has responded to three children struck by vehicles while on e-bikes and scooters. Mayor responded that he is bring up that issue later in the meeting.

Committee Reports:

Mr. Bianchi- Resolution #731-26 is for a Allegheny County vacant property program. The property is on Maple Avenue, lot and block #455-M-225. The requestor has met all requirements.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Estocin approving Resolution #731-26 approving the Allegheny County Vacant Property request for lot and block #455-M-225, Maple Avenue and to have appropriate officials to sign. Motion carried.

Ms. Henkel- TCVCOG received bids for the Larimer Ave, Stewart Street, McMasters Ave, and Line Way paving project. This project is 100% CD funded. The lowest responsible bidder was El Grande Industries at \$239,190.00.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Spencer ratifying the TCVCOG bids for paving project (CD 50 10.7) to the lowest responsible bidder El Grand Industries in the amount of \$239,190.00. Motion carried.

During an inspection of the Bridge on Penn Avenue and Thompson Street the inspector located a tripping hazard. Proposal have been sent out for bids of the repair. Addition proposals were sent out for the repair of the handicap ramp in the area.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Estocin approving a motion to get proposals to repair the tripping hazard on the sidewalk on Thompson Street and the handicap ramp. Motion carried.

Mr. Estocin- Sponsorship for the Turtle Creek Valley Rotary Club 34th Annual Turtle Trot 5K run and walk. Sponsorship of \$250.00.

Motion

Mr. Estocin, Mr. Spencer approving the \$250.00 sponsorship for the 34th Annual Turtle Trot. Motion carried.

Fire Department Engine #2 is being sent out to be repaired. The repair cost (worst case) in the amount of \$23,000.00.

Motion

Mr. Estocin, Ms. Henkel approving the repair of Engine #2 for no more than \$23,000.00. Motion carried.

Mr. Sanker- The committee want to purchase a new 2026 Police vehicle to replace the one that was wrecked. Purchasing out right through COSTARS vendor. The Borough will put about \$21,000.00 toward the purchase from the proceeds received by the insurance Co.

Motion

Mr. Sanker, Ms. Henkel approving the purchase of a new 2026 police vehicle out right through a COSTARS Vendor, Tri Star Sales. Motion carried.

Authorization needed to have the Civil Service Commission schedule a test for a full time Police Officer.

Motion

Mr. Sanker, Mr. Estocin approving to have the Civil Service Commission to test for full time Police Officer. Motion carried.

Mr. Spencer- The Borough building camera system needs updated/replaced. The cost is \$9,987.12 with a \$109.57 monthly fee for maintenance. The proposal was from Vector Security.

Motion

Mr. Spencer, Mr. Sanker approving the proposal from Vector Security in the amount of \$9,987.12 with a \$109.57 monthly maintenance fee. Question: Vector Security is a COSTARS vendor. Motion carried.

The hiring of Syed Prizada at the rate of \$38.98 an hour contingent on passing all pre-employment requirements.

Motion

Mr. Spencer, Ms. Henkel approving the hiring of Syed Prizada for the Full time Police position contingent on passing all pre-employment requirements. Motion carried.

There is still one applicant that stays on the list and the list is good for one year.

Mayor Forgie- The total Fire calls for the first five month is 245. On June 5, 2026 the Paul Miller law will be in effect, the law states it is illegal using a hand held cell phone while driving, even at a stop light or stop sign. School has let out, the Borough has a 10pm curfew. If kids are out past 10pm notify police. Asked to committee to consider an ordinance regarding the E Bikes and electric scooters for safety reasons. If juveniles are breaking our ordinances their parents will be cited. Thanked the Police Chief and Mr. McClung for their service. Received a letter that a group would like to start up Little League, Soft ball and T-Ball.

Police and Public Safety

Chief's Report for May 2026:

Total Incidents 394

• Total Lockups	5
• Traffic Stops	41
• Suspicious Person	20
• Thefts	8
• Stolen Vehicles/Recovered	1
• Wanted Person	1
• Alarm Activations	14
• Mental Health/Social	18
• Request for Assist	20
• Reports shots fired	5
• Dispute/Domestics	31
• Juvenile Comp/Runaway	16
• Check the Welfare	20
• Accidents	9
• Animals Comp.	13
• Other	144

Solicitor- Will have the Sewage fee Ordinance for next meeting.

Old Business:

- Ratifying the action taken by the Borough Administrator for the payment of the May 2026 bills in the amount of \$247,835.47.

Motion

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New Business: None

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Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Sanker adjourning until the next meeting
on Monday, July 13, 2026 at 7pm. Motion carried.

Recorded by Julie Pantalone