**TIDIOUTE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**MEETING AGENDA**

**FEBRUARY 14, 2023**

**Call to Order**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call**/sign in sheet.

**Public Comment** - (Time may be restricted by Council)

* Rose Clarke and Workforce Development Specialist, Desiree Higley: Northern Pennsylvania Regional College. Update from last visit.
* Linda Reed, Holiday Lightning Committee: approval to use lumber at maintenance building for shelves in the new shed at the maintenance building.

**Approvals:** Minutes of the prior regular meeting, and committee meetings. – Approve Treasurers Report, and grant permission to pay the bills.

**Mayors Report:**

* Holiday lighting donation from private individual.
* COG meeting report

**Maintenance Report:** written report included in handouts.

* Purchase new tire chains for work truck along with hydraulic oil.
* New uniforms ordered per personnel policy.
* New spreader installed. Truck inspection.
* The hiring of a new part time maintenance employee is due to James Myers not returning due to being hired full time.

**Committee Reports:**

* Recreation committee:
  + Playground mulch quote from Best Rubber Mulch Company. Current quote on playset from company.
  + Penn Fence started work at ballfield fence. Excepted completion on February 17, 2023.
* Personnel committee:
  + Personnel policy to add the purchase of a jacket for the maintenance crew. SWMCA suggested Carhartt with logo. Suggestion to order baseball style hats with logo also.
  + James Myer’s 90 day probation period
* Streets & Property:
  + Alleys and Handicap parking
  + Business district zoning for apartment rentals

**New Business**

1. The mileage rate increased by IRS to 65.5 cents per mile. Approval to change borough mileage rate in the personnel policy to match new change.
2. Cancelled additional website that was not set up but had been being monthly billed since 2020 with IONOS. Credit of six months give to our current website account.
3. Cancellation of bond for Crystal Heenan, former Borough Manger with Traveler’s Casualty and Surety Company of America effective on January 3, 2023. Signature required by President.
4. New signs ordered for Grant Street bridge to close all foot travel. The bridge is currently closed, and students were traveling over the bridge.
5. Motion and approval to order signs for the Borough property lines on McCauley Hill and Campbell Hill.
6. Carmen Fedele wants to know if the Borough office could collect donations for the maintenance of the hiking trail in town. John Pierson currently maintains the trail with some donations from the Lions Club.
7. Resident received letter from Borough office with complaint about dog’s nuisance, resident contacted office to inform Council that the dog complaint is not their dogs. Would like the dogs on Elm Street to be addressed.
8. Fun Days hosted by the Alumni Association is scheduled for August 4, 5, & 6. Seeking approval for use of the ballfield on Saturday, Picture Show Park on Friday, and boat launch on Sunday and possibly Saturday pending approval from Fish and Boat Commission.
9. Codes/constable officer to enforce ordinances. Hire someone or a committee to start working on these issues.

**Old Business**

1. Update on transferring accounts with PLGIT for better interest rates. Transfer all small accounts.
2. New member to replace open seat for Southwest Warren County Municipal Authority.
3. Scott Street window damage from plow update. Emailed resident to conduct investigation. Maintenance crew video provided.
4. Ethnic Statements: still needed from Heather Cass, Rick Greeley and Jonathan Brown.
5. Bonding of Campbell Hill and McCauley Hill Road update. Contacted townships. Triumph approved. Deerfield meeting is on February 14, 2023, to vote.
6. IA Construction provided a letter with the agreement made at the last meeting for review.
7. Grant Street Bridge-quotes collected from three companies for guiderail replacement. Motion to approve quote. Discussion about safety after removing guiderails.
8. Right to work tax within the Tidioute Borough. Information was collected. Can’t be changed until December 2023.
9. Update on storm water drainage issues within the Borough. – update from PennDOT representative, Jon Wilson TABLED until Spring
10. Triumph Township willing to plow. Campbell Hill needed to be widened. TABLED until Spring.
11. Idea to have TCCS shop class/Mr. Sudul make the new sign. TABLED until Spring.

**Correspondence**

1. Tidioute Fire Department membership meeting from December 22, 2022.
2. Warren County Intergovernmental CO-OP meeting minutes from January 4, 2023, and agenda for February meeting.

* **Second Public Comment**
* **Southwest Warren County Municipal Authority correspondence**
* **Adjournment**