

**TURBOTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
October 28, 2024**

OPENING: Meeting came to order at 7 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Christina Mensch, Tom Barrett, Pat Betz, Adam Kocher, Steve Snyder, Betty Figels and Paul Franke

ABSENT: Ben Gilbert, Mayor

OTHERS: Mileta Joe, Secretary, Jeremy LeBarron, Maintenance Supervisor and Donna Lynn, Tax Collector

Donna Lynn suggests council review ordinance 21-09-13

VISITORS: Mya LeBarron & Colby LeBarron, both WR Student working on extra credit project

PRESENTATION:

SECRETARY/TREASURER:

Council reviewed minutes and will vote at the Nov. 4th meeting date.

FINANCIAL:

Financial Reports and Balances as of 10/25/24 was reviewed and council will vote at 11/4/24 meeting.

Council will vote at the 11/4/24 meeting to pay all October bills.

Next CD will mature Dec. 17, 2024 and Finance Committee will meet before the Nov. 25th meeting date to suggest on CD funds at that meeting time.

Council worked on the 2025 budget and will review at the Nov. 4th meeting. Council has agreed there will be no millage increase for the brough this year.

CORRESPONDENCE:

SOLICITOR:

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Progress Report

EQUIPMENT, BUILDINGS & RECREATION:

No progress report on new sign progress.

Adam Kocher reported he got no response on occupancy numbers to validate how many restroom stalls will be needed. Committee suggested they proceed with the purchase of bathroom fixtures and selected flooring. Adam Kocher will call Carpetman on their quote and timeline for working the bathroom project. Council will vote on the project at the next meeting.

Jeremy LeBarron reported that the building closest to Adam St. that holds the salt has wall damage due to the stored salt. The damaged wall areas have been rebuilt with plywood and is nearly complete.

On the playground committee it was reported that to sandblast and paint the damaged areas of stairs/platforms on various playground equipment would cost approx. \$6000.00 and the playground would need to be roped off while the repairs are being completed. Council requested Jeremy LeBarron acquire a firm quote and timeline when these repairs would be done.

The Playground Committee is still looking into a playground grant and must be aware of the drain pipe located at the middle of the playground area and a request to contact PPL on the removal of one electric pole. Chairperson, Betty Figels would like to meet with Geo. Ely at the playground to get his expert ideas of what can be done.

Jeremy LeBarron had several questions regarding cameras to be installed at the playground area. He will need a key to enter the Heritage Society building and what areas does Council wish the cameras to cover? Adam Kocher will assist Jeremy in the set-up of the cameras and Christina already has the Heritage Society approval for use the building for camera set-up and has access to an entrance key.

STREETS/HIGHWAYS:

Adam St. paving was done 10/28/24. Prior to the repaving the borough had to replace some bad piping and borough can expect a bill from Gutelius for services.

A new street sign at the intersection of Main St/Rte. 54, showing its Main St. needs erected on the side near Country Closet by the borough to comply with 911 regulations.

Penn Core Consulting requested the borough BPID number so they can complete on-line application regarding the multi-modal grant. PennDOT has no record of the borough having a BPID number therefore the secretary informed Evan Dangle of this information. This is part of the engineering firm responsibility.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

No report on review of the three possible code enforcement options for the borough.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:

No report

MAYOR:

No report. Not in attendance

EMERGENCY MGT:

GRANTS:

Chairperson, Paul Franke reports that the committee suggests borough apply for a grant to rebuild and pave Virgin Lane from Washington St. to Main St. Committee got an estimate from Barry Garverick of PennDOT for the roadwork at a cost \$362,386.00 which will include widening of the alley, removing approx. five trees, rebuilding and paving the areas and application fee of \$100.00 for the grant. Council will vote at the Nov. 4th meeting.

The Grant Committee also placed a new dump truck on a future grant consideration.

The Grant Committee also suggests Council look into a private Grant Writer vs County Grant Writer as the borough is missing out on many available grants.

MEETING DATES:

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| COG: | COMMUNITY HALL: | TCC: | FIRE DEPT.: | CARNIVAL |
| Nov. 19 | Nov. 19 | March 2025 | Nov. 14 | Nov. 18 |

OLD BUSINESS:

Secretary will contact Nicole Todd of Comcast to get a quote on savings if borough reduces internet speed from 750mb to 400mb and report the findings at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jeremy LeBarron reported finding a bike stored inside one of the lower buildings and asked what he should do? Council suggested he look for a serial number on the bike and report his findings to the police at this time and safely store the bike in the borough building in case someone happens to stop in the office inquiring about a lost bike. It was agreed to post no trespassing signs on all the buildings and areas with stockpile items(i.e. stones, mulch, etc)

MAYOR:

EMERGENCY MGT:

PERSONNEL:

A motion was made by Steve Snyder for council to go into executive session with no vote at the time of reconvening at 8:30pm. and motion was seconded by Adam Kocher. Motion carried.

Council reconvened at 8:58 p.m. with the motion being made by Steve Snyder and seconded by Betty Figels. Motion carried

ADJOURMENT:

Betty Figels made the motion to adjourn at 8:58 pm and motion was seconded by Paul Franke. Motion carried.

Next meeting Monday, November 4, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough Building.