

**TUBOTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES
March 31, 2025**

OPENING: Meeting came to order at 7:00 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Christina Mensch, Betty Figels, Adam Kocher, Steve Snyder, Tom Barrett and Mayor Ben Gilbert

ABSENT: Paul Franke and Pat Betz

VISITORS: Colby LeBarron; Kim Swartz; Lori Dyer, Rick Dyer, Regin Hughes, Rose Hughes, all representing Boy Scout Troop 622

OTHERS: Jeremy LeBarron, Maintenance Supervisor; Mileta Joe, Secretary, Donna Lynn, Tax Collector and Zack Yetter, seasonal employee

PRESENTATION: Members of Boy Scout Troop 622 were in attendance for Regin Hughes who presented his Eagle Scout project of building a dodgeball court on the grounds of Zion Lutheran Church. He described how the sport is played, his interaction with engineers, Code Inspections for permits and the church council on his Eagle project. He was informed by Code Inspections how to comply with handicapped accessibility and the costs for the needed permits on his project. The issue on this project is the amount of funds needed to pay for the necessary permits and the troop was requesting help. Ther mayor will contact Code Inspections and see what assistance is allowable so that the Eagle Scout project can begin.

SECRETARY/TREASURER:

Minutes were reviewed and will be voted on at the April 7 meeting.

FINANCIAL:

The Financial Report was reviewed with no questions and will be voted at next meeting 4/7/25.

Treasurers report will be voted at next meeting 4/7/25

A vote to pay all March bills will take place at the 4/7/25 meeting date.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Erica Fry of the Watson town Historical Society has PPL approval for Hometown Hero banners for placement in Turbotville and stated that PPL with contract the borough with a contract for signing and approval. Jeremy LeBarron will be the liaison between the borough and PPL to decide which poles are acceptable for banners.

Northumberland County Board of Elections sent a letter of request to use the borough building for the upcoming May elections. Council will vote at the 4/7/25 meeting

Dave Clifford the borough webmaster has a slight increase in service fees and a vote will be taken at the 4/7/25 meeting. Adam Kocher did question what service does Clifford supply on the Facebook end of his bill to warrant his increase? Secretary will reach-out to Clifford and report her findings at the next meeting.

SOLICITOR:

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Progress Report

None

EQUIPMENT, BUILDINGS & RECREATION:

Chairperson Betty Figels reported that she has acquired an updated estimate for the new “Welcome to Turbotville” sign and will present at next meeting.

Chairperson Figels has supplied council with several drawings of playground layouts for the upcoming round of grants available for playgrounds beginning in September and submission prior to Thanksgiving. This grant will be for 2026.

Damages to the playground equipment was reported to the State Police on March 20th and a claim to the insurance company has begun. Pictures were sent to Dave Ely for review and a meeting will occur in the near future for the estimate needed for submission to the insurance company. Estimate will cover cost of damages, cost for repair and or cost to replace equipment. Process will take some time and updates will be supplies at each meeting.

Secretary will contact Starr Portables and have one handicapped porta pottie installed at the playground area.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE:

No report

STREETS/HIGHWAYS:

Kim Swartz had concerns regarding the Paradise project work and how it will affect their entrances to their property. Jeremy was advised to contact Penn Core.

Council received two proposals for crack seal work by Russell Standard and M & M Asphalt, Corp. Jeremy LeBarron prefers M & M as this is their main type of work but either will work well. Council will vote at the April 7 meeting date.

Jeremy LeBarron and Steve Snyder requested a letter be drafted to supply the residents of Paradise St. with information on start date, scope of work and parking issues and invitation to attend council meeting with their questions/concerns prior to project start. Council approved Steve and Jeremy to draft a letter for council to review and approve at next meeting.

Steve Snyder reported he has not heard back from either Megan Watkins or Lisa Hassinger regarding catch basins. Secretary was asked to contact both ladies and see where we stand on this issue.

Council asked Jeremy LeBarron to acquire a quote from Bill Moore on clean out of ditch in the area of Eagles Mere Antique Car Museum and empty property to the creek. He will report back at the 4/7/25 meeting.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

MAYOR: No report

EMERGENCY MGT:

GRANTS:

Council will vote at the 4/7/25 meeting to pre-approve to pay contractors as they submit wage and material expenses.

MEETING DATES:

COG:	COMMUNITY HALL:	TCC:	FIRE DEPT.:	CARNIVAL
Apr 15	Apr 15	Oct. 1	Apr 10	Apr 21

OLD BUSINESS:

Council approved the cost of 3 lights on barrels at cost of \$32/ea.

NEW BUSINESS:

EMERGENCY MGT:

PERSONNEL:

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:

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ADJOURMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Betty Figels and seconded by Tom Barrett at 7:40 p.m.

Next meeting Monday, April 7, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough Building.