

Turtle Creek Borough regular monthly Council Meeting, on November 3, 2025 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 – present
Solicitor – present

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

Approval of the October 2025 minutes:

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Spencer, approving the October 2025 minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Citizens Report: James Park-Property owner in Turtle Creek- Stated that the properties located at 531 & 540 Stewart Street has open doors and walls. Stated he put in a complaint with Codenforce in April 2025. Mayor Forgie stated he put the complaint in 3 weeks ago and will check the status.

Ed Narushoff-234 Penn Avenue Ext.-Thanked Council for fixing Penn Avenue Ext. at Aliquippa Street. The lane changes could cause an accident. Mr. Narushoff was advised that the changes were made by Allegheny County. Thanked Mayor Forgie for helping with the food collection and donating to the Food Bank. Asked if the Police will be working with ICE. Mayor stated hopefully not but did draft a resolution for council to review.

Committee Reports:

Mr. Bianchi- Concurring Resolution for CD-52 road construction of Prospect Street in the amount of \$187,660.00.

Motion

Mr. Spencer, Mr. Nolan approving the concurring resolution for road construction in the amount of \$187,660.00. Motion carried.

Slums & Blight resolution for the Demolition grant.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. King approving the Slums & Blight resolution for the demolition grant. Motion carried.

Mr. Spencer- Replacement needed for the opening on the Civil Service Commission after Howard Miller passing. Appointment of Anna Lawson to the Civil Service Commission.

Motion

Mr. Spencer, Mr. Sanker approving the appointment of Anna Lawson to the Civil Service Commission. Motion carried.

Mayor supports the appointment of Anna Lawson.

The Borough put out for a test of Full time Police and received no applications. There will be a graduating class from the Police Academy in December and the Borough will be giving another test in mid December.

Ms. Henkel- None

Mr. Estocin- The Borough put out for bids for trash hauling in 2026 on October 16, 2025 at 4:15pm. The Borough received two bids.

Pro Waste at \$758,592.00 and Waste Management at \$916,632.60. It is a one year contract with three option years. The lowest responsible bidder is Pro Waste at \$758,592.00.

Motion

Mr. Estocin, Mr. Spencer approving the lowest responsible bidder Pro Waste at \$758,592.00 for one year contract for trash hauling. Motion carried.

Question: The hauling days will change, Pro Waste will be picking up the trash on multiple days. A schedule is being worked on now. Residents will be notified in January about the change in days.

The Borough still had one option year left with Waste Management. Waste Management will need to be notified that the Borough will not be exercising the last option year of the contract.

This council did meet with Waste Management at the beginning of the year to see if there can be changes made to lower the cost. The company came back and stated no. The Borough did receive a letter from Waste Management stating that they could change the cost in the last option year. Mr. Evashavik stated that is trying to back door or walking around and would not recommend.

Mr. Sanker- Ratify the action taken by the Borough Administrator awarding the 2025 Road Construction of Aliquippa Street and bottom of Seneca Street to El Grande in the amount of \$108,338.25

Mr. Sanker, Mr. Spencer approving the ratifying taken by the Borough Administrator awarding the 2025 Road Construction to El Grande in the amount of \$108,338.25. Motion carried.

Mr. King- Concurring Resolution for Demolition in the amount of \$53,975.00 to be administer by the Turtle Creek Valley COG.

Motion

Mr. King, Mr. Spencer approving the concurring resolution for demolition in the amount of \$53,975.00. Motion carried.

Another concurring resolution for Demolition in the amount of \$67,150.00 to also be administered by the Turtle Creek Valley cog.

Motion

Mr. King, Mr. Spencer approving the concurring resolution in the amount of \$67,150.00 for Demolition, Motion carried.

Mr. Nolan- None

The day and times have been set for the 2026 budget meetings. Public Hearing for the 2026 is on Monday, November 17, 2025 at 6:30pm. Tentative Budget meeting for 2026 is Monday, December 15, 2025 at 6:30pm and the Final Budget meeting for 2026 is Monday, December 29, 2025 at 6:30pm. All meeting are held in the Council Chambers at the Borough building.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. King approving all the 2026 Budget meetings scheduled. Motion carried.

Mayor Forgie- The police had a truck at Truck or Treat and won first prize. The 2nd year that they won. The police have a box in the hall at the Borough building for this year's Toys for Tots. Attended the Mon Valley dinner on October 23, 2025. To try and help due to no SNAP benefits pizza shops in Turtle Creek have joined together to help. On November 3, 2025 you can buy a \$50.00 gift certificate from Shelly Pie, Fox Pizza or Casey's Pizza. Half the proceeds goes to fund the gift cards.

There is a food drive on Saturdays from 10am-12pm at the Borough building and the collections will be disturbed to the Westinghouse

(Turtle Creek) Food Bank. The Braddock free store had also reached out for donations. Council member Ms. Henkel and myself will be putting together a sheet as to why people should work here. No problems on Halloween.

Police and Public Safety

Chief's Report for October 2025:

Total Incidents	375
• Total Lockups	3
• Traffic	30
• Suspicious Person	13
• Thefts	6
• Stolen Vehicles	4
• Wanted Persons	5
• Shots Fired	3
• Social Services	7
• Walk in/return calls	52
• Fire Calls	3
• Dispute/Domestics	33
• Juvenile Comp/Runaway	15
• Harassment calls	11
• Check the Welfare	14
• Accidents	12
• Animals Comp.	12
• Other	155

Solicitor – None

Old Business:

Ratifying the payment of the October 2025 bills in the amount of \$366,675.58..

Motion

Mr. Spencer, Mr. Sanker ratifying the action taken by the Borough Administrator in the payment of the October 2025 bills in the amount of \$366,675.58. Motion carried.

New Business: None

Mr. Spencer, Mr. King adjourning until the next meeting Monday, December 1, 2025 at 7pm. Motion carried.

Recorded by Julie Pantalone