Turtle Creek Borough regular monthly Council Meeting, on September 14, 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 – present
Solicitor – present
Mr. Sanker -- present
Mr. Estocin – present
Mr. King -- absent
Mayor Forgie – absent

Mr. Bianchi stated that the agenda needed to be amended to authorized hearings for the Condemnation of 233,237,239,245 and 315 Brown Avenue.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Spencer approving adding authorization for condemnation hearings for the listed properties. Motion carried.

Approval of the August 2026 minutes:

Motion

Mr. Estocin, Ms. Henkel approving the August 2026 as submitted. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

The Allegheny County Election Department requesting to move the polling place from the Wolverina to the Borough Building.

Motion

Mr. Estocin, Ms. Henkel approving the request from the Allegheny County Election Department to move the Wolverina polling place to the Borough building. Motion carried.

The Borough has received a request for the Allegheny County Vacant Property Program for lot and block 456-D-266. Resolution #733-26 approving the acquisition.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Sanker approving Resolution #733-26 for Lot and Block 456-D-266 for the Allegheny County Vacant Property program. Motion carried. Mr. Bianchi abstained.

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

None

Committee Reports:

Mr. Bianchi stepped down as President for this meeting. Vice President Spencer took over the meeting.

Mr. Bianchi- Every year the Borough has a Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Uniform and Non-Uniform pensions.

2027 MMO for the police pension plan (Uniform) amount is $212,716.00..

Motion

Mr. Bianchi, Mr. Nolan approving the uniform 2027 MMO in the amount of $212,716.00. Motion carried.

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2027 MMO for the Municipal employees (Non-Uniform) amount is $8,412.00.

Motion

Mr. Bianchi, Ms. Henkel approving the non-uniform 2027 MMO in the amount of $8,412.00. Motion carried.

There was sewer line collapse on Maple Avenue at the intersection of James Street. As per the Engineer this was an emergency repair. Creative Enterprises completed the repairs for the cost of $11,000.00.

Motion

Mr. Bianchi, Mr. Sanker approving the emergency repairs of the collapsed sewer line cost of $11,000.00 to Creative Enterprises. Motion carried.

Ms. Henkel- The Borough has entered into contracts for the 2026-2027 Road Salt purchases.
2026-2027 COSTARS contract cost is $94.44 a ton, which we must purchase 75% of our estimate.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Nolan approving the 2026-2027 Road salt contract with COSTARS in the amount of $94.44 a ton. Motion carried.

2026-2027 SHACOG contract cost is $160.00 a ton, which we must purchase 75% of our estimate.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Estocin approving the 2026-2027 Road salt contract with SHACOG in the amount of $160.00 a ton. Motion carried.

Mr. Nolan- Fire Department calls for the month of August 2026.
Working Fires-3, Possible Fires-6, Fire Alarms-11, Vehicle Fires-1, Vehicle Accidents-4, Gas/CO-5, Public Service-12, EMT assist-1. Calls with 8 different communities-Wilmerding-12, Churchill-1, Monroeville-1, Pitcarin-2, North Versailles-1, Wilkins-1 & Wall-1.

The Fire Department received a certificate from the PA Office of the State Fire Commissioner stating that the Fire Department has attain 50% recognition level as part of the Participating Department Recognition Program.

PENNDOT is upgrading the traffic signals at Triboro Highway and Brown Avenue, Penn Avenue Ext. A maintenance agreement is needed, PENNDOT will do the work and the Borough will then maintain.

Motion

Mr. Nolan, Mr. Sanker approving the maintenance agreement with PENNDOT for the upgrade at Brown Avenue and Penn Avenue Ext along Triboro Highway. Motion carried.

Mr. Estocin- The Fire Department is requesting the use of the Community Room on October 10, 2026 and October 24, 2026 from 8am-4pm.

Motion

Mr. Estocin, Ms. Henkel approving the use of the Community to the Fire Department on October 10 and October 24th. Motion carried.

Mr. Sanker- A ordinance is needed to change Garden Drive to a one way street. The Ordinance is required to be advertised to make the one way and required signage.

Motion

Mr. Sanker, Ms. Henkel approving the advertisement for the ordinance for Garden Drive to one way with signage. Motion carried.

Mr. Spencer- The Civil Service Commission has given the Police and Public Safety Committee a list of Full Time Police candidates. The Committee has met with both candidates. Lawrence Harris to be hired as a full time Police Officer in the amount of $38.98 effective September 22, 2026

Motion

Mr. Nolan, Mr. Sanker approving the hiring of a full time police officer Lawrence Harris at $38.98 an hour as of September 22, 2026 contingent on passing all tests and pre-employment requirements. Motion carried.

Napier and Manning handle the Uniform Pension and would like to change the benefit and payment services from Exter Trust to Schwab.

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Estocin approving the change in benefit and payment services from Exter Trust to Schwab. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Ratifying the action taken by the Borough Administrator for the payment of the August 2026 bills in the amount of $454,137.19. Largest amount to El Grande for paving.

Motion

Mr. Estocin, Mr. Sanker ratifying the action taken by the Borough Administrator in the payment of the August bills in the amount of $454,137.19. Motion carried.

New Business: None

Motion

Ms. Henkel, Mr. Sanker adjourning until the next meeting on Monday, October 5, 2026 at 7pm. Motion carried.

Recorded by Julie Pantalone