

Work Session Meeting Minutes – August 11, 2022

City Council Chambers, City Building, 16 West Scribner Avenue, DuBois, Pennsylvania on Thursday, August 11, 2022 @ 4 p.m.; Council convened at their regular Work Session with Mayor Walsh in the Chair. Other Council Members present were: Jim Aughenbaugh, Diane Bernardo, Shane Dietz, and Shannon Gabriel (by phone). Also present were: City Manager, John “Herm” Suplizio; City Engineer/Public Works Director, Chris Nasuti; Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer, Zac Lawhead; Public Works Superintendent, Scott Farrell; Police Chief, Blaine Clark; IT Director, Matt Johnson; and Finance Officer, DeLean Shepherd.

Absent: David Volpe, City Controller

Approval of Minutes

Review for Monday

Approval of Registry of Invoices

Review for Monday

Request from DAHS Student Council to close Division Street and Beaver Drive at 5:45 p.m. for approximately 45 minutes on Friday, September 23rd for annual homecoming parade.

We will try to accommodate them but the railroad will be repairing the tracks at Route 255 and Division Street, we don't know the date yet. The motion was made by Aughenbaugh and seconded by Dietz that Council approve the request from the DAHS Student Council to close Division Street and Beaver Drive with the understanding that due to railroad repairs they may have to come up with an alternate route. Roll call vote was as follows: Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Recommendations – Monday

- 2022 Street Paving
- Water Resource Recovery Facility

Letter from Priority Media (Sunny 106) concerning Halloween Parade/Trick or Treat Hours

This item will be put on the Joint Board agenda for Monday's meeting.

Request authorization to advertise for Aggregates

City Engineer/Public Works Director Nasuti stated that Sandy Township approached the City about Aggregates. Nasuti is going to meet with them and try to work with them, then advertise. The motion was made by Dietz and seconded by Aughenbaugh that Council authorize Nasuti to work with Sandy Township on Aggregates. Roll call vote was as follows: Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

DMAPS

Informational – DMAPS are here and can be picked up at the front desk.

Charged 2022 in the Park Saturday, August 13th begins at 5 p.m. – Concert with food truck vendors and games.

Informational – Just wanted to make Council aware, this tends to be a large event.

Request from Downtown DuBois, Inc.:

- Annual Octoberfest – Close intersections at W. Long & Brady and W. Long & Jared and also W. Long and High ST – October 8, 2022, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. (We have Certificate of Insurance)

The motion was made by Aughenbaugh and seconded by Dietz that Council approve the request from Downtown DuBois, Inc. and allow the closing of the intersections at W. Long and Brady, W. Long and Jared, and W. Long and High ST for the annual Octoberfest. Roll call vote was as follows: Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

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Request from Downtown DuBois, Inc.: (Cont'd.)

- Grapes & Hops Walk – September 17, 2022 from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m.
This is informational as they have no requests for closures and they are not using City property. However, they did provide the City with a Certificate of Liability Insurance.

Updates:

- Maple Avenue – End of October it should be completed. They will be paving the right side next week.
- Dredging Sandy Lick Creek – Dredging continues and looks good, hoping to be done by the end of summer. New Street may need to be closed on occasion.
- Top of Liberty Boulevard – Phase 1 is 95% complete the lights still are not done. Hopefully they will be next. The railing will be installed next week. Phase 2 – the other side: Starts on Monday. New sign in 30 days.
- Challenger/Heindl Field – Project has started.
- Flood Control – Trimming all of the Banks – Summer help is doing an excellent job. We did have some tree removal.
- Railroad Crossing:
 - Long Avenue – From Orange Alley to Franklin will be closed Tues, Aug 16; Weds, Aug 17; and Thurs., Aug 18 for railroad repairs.
 - DuBois Street – Will be closed near the VFW on Fuller Street on Fri, Aug 19 for railroad repairs.

IT – Matt Johnson

Currently he's working cameras hoping to get them installed soon.

Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer – Zac Lawhead

Weeds are growing but things are going good.

Police Chief – Blaine Clark

Asked who was painting the lines on Maple Avenue because he would like to meet with them about speed.

Councilwoman – Diane Bernardo

Concert reminder. Shout out to the police, she called Chief Clark about cars going the wrong way in the park; they put a car there and it has helped tremendously.

Councilwoman – Shannon Gabriel

Excited to get home so she can see the fountain in operation.

Councilman – Shane Dietz

All good.

Mayor – Edward L. Walsh

Getting texts and phone calls about the boulevard bank, it's really making a statement.

Councilman- Jim Aughenbaugh

Asked if we would be able to change the color of lights for different holidays.

ATTEST:



APPROVED:

