

City Council Meeting Minutes – August 15, 2022

City Council Chambers, City Building, 16 West Scribner Avenue, DuBois, Pennsylvania on Monday, August 15, 2022 @ 6:35 p.m.; Council convened at their regular City Council Meeting with Mayor Walsh in the Chair. Other Council Members present were: Diane Bernardo, James Aughenbaugh, Shane Dietz, and Shannon Gabriel. Also present were: City Manager, John “Herm” Suplizio; City Engineer/Public Works Director, Chris Nasuti; Redevelopment Authority Director/Assistant Public Works Superintendent, Joe Mitchell; Public Works Superintendent, Scott Farrell; and City Secretary, Bobbie Shaffer.

Absent: City Controller, David Volpe

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Walsh.

Approval of Minutes

City Council Meeting Minutes – August 1, 2022

The motion was made by Gabriel and seconded by Aughenbaugh that Council approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of August 1, 2022 as presented by the City Secretary. Roll call vote was as follows: Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Work Session Meeting Minutes – August 11, 2022

The motion was made by Aughenbaugh and seconded by Dietz that Council approve the Work Session Meeting Minutes of August 11, 2022 as presented by the City Secretary. Roll call vote was as follows: Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Approval of Registry of Invoices

The motion was made by Dietz and seconded by Gabriel that Council approve the Purchase Order Listing by Vendor Name dated August 11, 2022 in the amount of \$443,459.96 and the Check Register by Check ID dated August 9, 2022 in the amount of \$25,916.38 as presented by the Finance Officer. Roll call vote was as follows: Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Public Comments

Angelina Deloroso – 112 E. 2nd Avenue, DuBois, PA 15801

Ms. Deloroso requested that all meetings be listed on the City’s Facebook page; she stated that the younger generation doesn’t look in the newspaper but would still like to be informed.

Recommendation – 2022 Street Paving

The motion was made by Gabriel and seconded by Aughenbaugh that Council accept the recommendation of the City Engineer and award the contract to Glenn O. Hawbaker, Inc. in the amount of \$617,504.00. Aughenbaugh asked if he had to do a lot of trimming. Nasuti stated it wasn’t too bad. Walsh asked when the project would take place. Nasuti said it must be completed by the end of October; he’ll get the schedule tomorrow from the contractor. Roll call vote was as follows: Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Recommendation – Water Resource Recovery Facility

Water Resource Recovery Facility – Contract No. 22-01: General Construction

Nasuti stated this is the actual Plant. The motion was made by Aughenbaugh and seconded by Bernardo that Council accept the recommendation from HRG Engineering and award the contract to Global Heavy Corporation in the amount of \$58,536,000. Roll call vote was as follows: Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

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Water Resource Recovery Facility – Contract No. 22-02: Electrical Construction

The motion was made by Gabriel and seconded by Bernardo that Council accept the recommendation of HRG Engineering and award the contract to Hallstrom Clark Electric in the amount of \$9,482,700. Roll call vote was as follows: Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Water Resource Recovery Facility – Contract No. 22-03 HVAC Construction

The motion was made by Dietz and seconded by Gabriel that Council accept the recommendation of HRG Engineering and award the contract to Renick Brothers Construction Co. in the amount of \$2,815,000. Roll call vote was as follows: Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Water Resource Recovery Facility – Contract No. 22-04 Plumbing Construction

The motion was made by Gabriel and seconded by Dietz that Council accept the recommendation of HRG Engineering and award the contract to Fred L. Burns in the amount of \$1,815,100. Roll call vote was as follows: Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Water Resource Recovery Facility – Proposal No. 2022-01410

Nasuti stated this would be for the Controls to run the plant. The motion was made by Aughenbaugh and seconded by Dietz that Council accept the recommendation of HRG Engineering and award the contract to Keystone Engineering Group in the amount of \$1,810,000. Roll call vote was as follows: Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Coke Hill Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation – Contract No. 22-06; General Construction

The motion was made by Bernardo and seconded by Gabriel that Council accept the recommendation of the HRG Engineering and award the contract to Continental Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$2,264,144. Roll call vote was as follows: Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Walsh asked what happens next. Nasuti stated that we notify the award winners; they have until September 26 to send their Award Notice back to use; the PennVEST bond closes on October 13th; then we can proceed.

Sewer Plant Extension

Suplizio stated that Councilwoman Bernardo had already addressed this at the Joint Board Meeting. Arbaugh was unable to obtain an extension for the Sewer Plant. Everyone was very thankful for his attempt.

Move City Council Meeting from September 5, 2022 at 6 p.m. to September 6, 2022 at 6 p.m. for Labor Day Observance.

The motion was made by Gabriel and seconded by Aughenbaugh that Council approve moving the regularly scheduled City Council meeting of September 5, 2022 to September 6, 2022 at 6 p.m. for the Labor Day Observance. Roll call vote was as follows: Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Updates – (Will now appear on every agenda.)

- Maple Avenue – Paving right side Tuesday then on Wednesday they will flip to the other side. The project should be completed the end of October.
- Dredging Sandy Lick Creek – Started at DuBois and Parkway Drive, suggests everyone check it out.
- Top of Boulevard – Phase No. 1 is 99% completed, just need railings. Phase No. 2 is beginning.
- Challenger Field/Heindl – Adding bleachers, closing in wall tomorrow.

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- Flood Control – Trimming of all the Banks – Slowing down, the college kids are heading back to school.
- Railroad Crossing
 - Long Avenue – Starts tomorrow; be closed for approximately three days.
 - DuBois Street – Friday they should be working on the crossing by the VFW.

City Manager – John “Herm” Suplizio

The park was packed this weekend; we had a tournament and Charged Ministries. Walsh pointed out that all the hotel rooms were filled, that's just what we want.

Scott Farrell – Public Works Superintendent & Lou Emerick – Sewage Plant Employee –
Thanked Council for the new plant.

Diane Bernardo – Councilwoman

Incredible evening.

Jim Aughenbaugh – Councilman

Stated that his great niece was playing in the tournament in the park; they were so impressed that in future any tournament coming here they want to come to.

Shane Dietz – Councilman

Great job on all the projects.

Edward Walsh – Mayor

Great Weekend.

ATTEST:



APPROVED:

