

## Work Session Meeting Minutes – July 14, 2022

City Council Chambers, City Building, 16 West Scribner Avenue, DuBois, Pennsylvania on Thursday, July 14, 2021 @ 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. Also present were: City Manager, John “Herm” Suplizio; City Engineer/Public Work Director, Chris Nasuti; Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer, Zac Lawhead; Public Works Superintendent, Scott Farrell; IT Director, Matt Johnson; Police Chief, Blaine Clark; and Finance Officer, DeLean Shepherd.

### Approval of Minutes

*Review for Monday*

### Approval of Registry of Invoices

*Review for Monday*

### Planning Commission Recommendations: Review for Monday

1. Vicky Lumley – Conditional Use – Home Occupation – 415 Turtle Alley
2. Piper Real Estate Mgmt. – Modification of SALDO, Consolidation & Subdivision at 711 ½ & 711 ¾ Munro ST/Rudy Avenue
  - A. Lot No. 1 Modification
  - B. Subdivision adding to Lot #1 and Creating #2
  - C. Modification reducing residential lot frontage from 60 ft. to 20 ft.
  - D. Deeded Right of Way giving access to Lot #2

### Fireworks

City Manager Suplizio stated he had received an email from a resident complaining about fireworks going off day and night upsetting her pets. She would like the City to do something about it. After a little research it was found that the state is revamping their fireworks law and we as a municipal cannot draft an ordinance with stronger restrictions. It looks like fireworks will be prohibited before 10 a.m. and after 10 p.m. with the exception of July 2 - 4 and December 31<sup>st</sup> which will allow detonation until 1 a.m. Suplizio suggested if she hears them outside of those limitations, she should contact the City police.

### Ribbon Cutting @ Penn Highlands East – Stern Center for Behavioral Health – July 25<sup>th</sup> @ 4 p.m.

Informational – The City Manager believes he and the Mayor will attend; all of Council is invited.

### Awarded Grant for Traffic Safety – Upgrade light at Park & Brady ST - \$488,000

The City has been awarded a grant through the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Green Light Go program to help alleviate congestion and traffic flow. City Manager Suplizio stated that this will totally modernize the signal at that intersection.

### Update on Maple Avenue

Maple Avenue is now open to Fourth Street. Currently they are working on Fifth through Tenth Street. Hopefully they will be able to pave in two weeks and the project should be completed by mid-September.

### Update on Embankment Project

The bids for the second half of the project should come in Monday; we’re hoping we can move right onto the other side.

### Update on Flood Control Project

We have received a \$720,000 grant to clean the silt out of the Sandy Lick Creek and build up the banks; the project will begin at Liberty Boulevard to DuBois Street.

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### Update on water break of July 8, 2022

Water is not going under the stream yet; we need to get the thrust blockers concreted.

### Update on the Reservoir

Currently the reservoir is down 7"; we are at the same level we were on August 14, 2021.

### Matt Johnson – IT Director

Ordered the Police Department equipment for the drug task force.

### Zac Lawhead – Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer

All good; grass isn't growing.

### Police Chief – Blaine Clark

Really busy, just went and helped the Police Department in Reynoldsville.

### Councilwoman – Diane Bernardo

Shout out to the firefighters. She went and watched them, the Police Department, and EMS as they battled the three house fire on Wilson Avenue.

### Councilmen – Jim Aughenbaugh

He was glad to see how well Sandy and DuBois' firefighters worked together. It was really good to see.

### Councilmen – Shane Dietz

Concerning the waterline break, great Job to our crew. He didn't feel that County Control did a good job letting people know. He asked if there was anything that Council could do to help. Engineer Nasuti stated that we have our own notification, testing, and processes system. If we need their help we will ask for it.

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