

City Council Meeting Minutes – June 20, 2022

City Council Chambers, City Building, 16 West Scribner Avenue, DuBois, Pennsylvania on Monday, June 20, 2022 @ 6 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 Solicitor, Toni Cherry; Police Chief, Blaine Clark and City Secretary, Bobbie Shaffer.

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

Approval of Minutes

City Council Meeting Minutes – June 6, 2022

The motion was made by Aughenbaugh and seconded by Gabriel that Council approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of June 6, 2022 as presented by the City Secretary. Roll call vote was as follows: Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, Yea; Dietz, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Work Session Meeting Minutes – June 16, 2022

The motion was made by Gabriel and seconded by Bernardo that Council approve the Work Session Meeting Minutes of June 16, 2022 as presented by the City Secretary. Roll call vote was as follows: Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, Yea; Dietz, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Approval of Registry of Invoices

The motion was made by Dietz and seconded by Aughenbaugh that Council approve the Purchase Order Listing by Vendor Name dated June 16, 2022 in the amount of \$320,373.55 and the Check Register by Check ID dated June 16, 2022 in the amount of \$2,445.77 as presented by the Finance Officer. Roll call vote was as follows: Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, Yea; Dietz, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Public Comments – None

Request to change the date of the July 4th meeting to July 5th at 6 p.m.

The motion was made by Gabriel and seconded by Dietz that Council approve the request to change the date of the regularly scheduled City Council meeting from July 4th at 6 p.m. to July 5th at 6 p.m. for the 4th of July observance. Roll call vote was as follows: Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, Yea; Dietz, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Police Chief – Blaine Clark

- Our escapee from the Clearfield County prison is back where he belongs.
- The top of the boulevard looks beautiful; if you haven't seen it, go take a look. City Manager Suplizio said the first phase should be finished by July 15th. They will begin paving the parking spaces tomorrow.

Councilwoman Diane Bernardo

Presented a revised letter for Representative Mike Armanini with stronger language concerning House Bill 606. She went on to say that the first letter didn't have the City Managers signature, and she was unaware at the time that our police officers have to use a stop watch and visional sight lines to catch someone speeding. She believes that House Bill 606 would give our police better equipment which will help with speeders; therefore, giving them more time to work on apprehending drug offenders.

Councilman Shane Dietz

All the work around the City looks great. He stated that someone has inquired concerning the stream between the school and 3rd Ward Hose Company. Manager Suplizio will mention it to our Public Works Superintendent Farrell tomorrow.

City Solicitor – Toni Cherry

Nothing on the legal front. She is still waiting to hear back from National Fuel's Council and Representative about a meeting concerning the repairs they made on the first two blocks of West Weber Avenue. We cannot pave that street until this matter is resolved. We are requesting in future the utility contact the City Building prior to closing a street.

Mayor – Edward Walsh

- Central Catholic Girls Softball Team took 2nd place at states. Central Catholic Boys Baseball Team beat Halifax 12 – 2 taking the state title. Congratulations to them all, job well done.
- The end of the boulevard looks spectacular.
- We will be hosting more baseball – Little League State Championship – the end of July.
- He then asked Police Chief Clark about an incident he talked about at the morning staff meeting. Police Chief Clark state that there was a lady who had two pit bulls off their leashes on the walk

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way. The dogs got away from the woman and attacked another dog. She then took the dogs to the park and they promptly attacked a golden retriever. The police think they know who the lady is and will be getting in contact with her. Thankfully neither of the animals were badly hurt. The big concern is what if it had been a child in the park and not another animal that had been attacked.

Adjourn

There being no more business to transact; the motion was made by Aughenbaugh and seconded by Gabriel that Council adjourn. Roll call vote was as follows: Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Gabriel, Yea; Dietz, yea; Walsh, yea. Motion passed 5-0.

ATTEST:  APPROVED: 