# City Council Meeting Minutes - May 10, 2021

City Council Chambers, City Building, 16 West Scribner Avenue, DuBois, Pennsylvania on Monday, May 10, 2021 @ 7 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; City Engineer/Public Works Director, Chris Nasuti; Redevelopment Authority Director/Assistant Public Works Superintendent, Joe Mitchell; and City Secretary, Bobbie Shaffer.

Absent:

City Controller, David Volpe

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Walsh.

### **Approval of Minutes**

City Council Meeting Minutes - April 22, 2021

The motion was made by Gabriel and seconded by Aughenbaugh that Council approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of April 22, 2021 as presented by the City Secretary. Roll call vote was as follows: Gabriel, yea; Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Walsh yea. Motion passed 5 - 0.

# Work Session Meeting Minutes - May 6, 2021

The motion was made by Bernardo and seconded by Dietz that Council approve the Work Session Meeting Minutes of May 6, 2021 as presented by the City Secretary. Roll call vote was as follows: Gabriel, yea; Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Walsh yea. Motion passed 5 - 0.

### **Approval of Registry of Invoices**

The motion was made by Aughenbaugh and seconded by Gabriel that Council approve the Purchase Order Listing by Vendor Name dated May 6, 2021 in the amount of \$660,316.55 and the Check Register by Check ID dated May 6, 2021 in the amount of \$35,132.43 as presented by the Finance Officer. Roll call vote was as follows: Gabriel, yea; Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Walsh yea. Motion passed 5 - 0.

#### **Public Comments**

Elliot Gelfand - 1 Highland ST

Thanked Council for all their work to make the community a better place to live. He then went on to say that the ball fields look nice and it's good to see all the activity.

# Second and Final Reading of Council Bill No. 1962

City Solicitor Cherry asked that we delay the second and final reading for two weeks as she hadn't advertised it. Mayor Walsh agreed to a two-week delay.

## Recommendation: Maple Avenue Streetscape

The motion was made by Gabriel and seconded by Bernardo that Council approve the recommendation of the City Engineer and award the contract to Dave Roman Excavating in the amount of \$746,980.10. Councilman Dietz had a question on the motion; he asked if the project had been re-scoped and it if it had how. City Engineer Nasuti confirmed the project had been re-scoped; we will be stopping at 7<sup>th</sup> street with the sidewalks instead of 10<sup>th</sup> street but we will still have the same paving, grading and curbs. Roll call vote was as follows: Gabriel, yea; Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Walsh yea. Motion passed 5 - 0.

### Tabulation & Recommendation: Line Painting

# 2021 Pavement Markings

Re - Bid Opening Thursday, May 10, 2021

1 Aztec Linear

\$30,230.00

1 Quarry Avenue DuBois, PA 15801

Lines for Less
Attn: Michael Swope
4 Juniata ST
DuBois, PA 15801

\$35,050.00

The motion was made by Aughenbaugh and seconded by Bernardo that Council accept the recommendation of the City Engineer and award the contract to Aztec Linear in the amount of \$30,230. There was a question on the motion; Councilwoman Bernardo asked if this project had been re-scoped for the re-bid. Nasuti confirmed it had, he stated in the first round we wanted to make a more permanent crosswalk but the price was unrealistic so we went back to what we have used in previous years. Roll call vote was as follows: Gabriel, yea; Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Walsh yea. Motion passed 5 - 0.

# Letter of Support - Sandy Township Multi-Modal Grant

City Manager Suplizio stated that Sandy Township would like a letter of support for their Multi Modal Grant for their sidewalk project. He stated that they will begin where the City leaves off on the sidewalk project and take it to the walkway. The motion was made by Aughenbaugh and seconded by Gabriel that Council approve sending a letter of support for Sandy Township's Multi-Modal Grant. Roll call vote was as follows: Gabriel, yea; Dietz, yea; Bernardo, yea; Aughenbaugh, yea; Walsh yea. Motion passed 5 - 0.

### Councilwoman Diane Bernardo

Requested an update on the Seven Kitchens property and the house on the end. City Manager Suplizio stated that when Dave Roman closes down the road to put laterals in, the house will be removed then. Probably within the month. Bernardo asked if there were any plans for Seven Kitchens. Redevelopment Authority Director Mitchell stated that we do not own it but are currently working with the owner to entice development.

Councilman Jim Aughenbaugh

Stated he's had a lot of complaints about Maple Avenue; especially on Mother's Day. City Engineer Nasuti stated that pavement was put on today so there would be no more washouts. City Manager Suplizio said that it is going to be bad for the next six months or more so please try to avoid the area, take alternate routes.

### **Councilman Shane Dietz**

Asked about plans for the top of the boulevard. Engineer Nasuti said that we have engaged a consultant and they are working on it. Bernardo asked who the consultant is. Nasuti stated that it is HRG out of Cranberry; they helped with Juniata Lake. Bernardo wanted to make sure that they are aware that the stairs were a WPA project and should remain.

Nasuti stated the stairs will remain.

#### Councilman Shannon Gabriel

Stated that this is National Police Officer Week; hats off to Officer Prosper and Daugherty who are up for Officer of the year.

City Manager - John "Herm" Suplizio

Announced that there will be a church service honoring emergency service providers on Sunday, May 16 @ Noon at the St. Francis Catholic Church in Clearfield.

Mayor Edward L. Walsh

Thanked the Police Department for an exceptional job.

City Manager Suplizio called an Executive Session for a Personnel/Issue.

ATTEST:

APPROVED: