



Pennsylvania
Office of Open Records

Standard Right-to-Know Law Request Form

Please read carefully. Complete this form and retain a copy of **both** pages; this copy may be required if an appeal is filed. You have 15 business days to appeal after a request is denied or deemed denied. More information about the RTKL is available at <https://www.openrecords.pa.gov>. In most cases, a completed RTKL request form is a public record.

SUBMITTED TO AGENCY NAME: City of DuBois, Pennsylvania (Attn: AORO)

Date Request Submitted: 11/24/24 Submitted via: Email U.S. Mail Fax In Person

PERSON MAKING REQUEST:

Full Name: Judith Suplizio

Company (if applicable): _____

Please send response via: Email U.S. Mail

If you wish to obtain records that only exist in hard copy, or must be provided on an electronic storage device, you may be required to provide a mailing address to the agency. See Section 703.

Email: [REDACTED]

Mailing Address: 314 Hamor Street

City: DuBois State: Pa Zip: 15801 Telephone: [REDACTED]

How do you prefer to be contacted if the agency has questions? Telephone Email U.S. Mail

By checking this box, I affirm that my full name and contact information is true and correct, and that I am a legal resident of the United States. I understand that failure to check this box may result in the denial of my request and the dismissal of any appeal filed with the Office of Open Records.

RECORDS REQUESTED: Provide as much detail as possible, including subject matter, time frame, and type of record sought. RTKL requests must seek records, not ask questions. Use additional pages if necessary.

For the three year period 2007 thru 2009 inclusive, the former DuBois City Manager held two city roles, city mayor and city manager.

He was compensated \$2400 per year or \$7200 for the three year period. The current city council has approved the hiring of a mangement team from Warren, Pa for \$330,000 per year or approx \$1 million + expenses + advisory consultants over a similar three year period.

The taxpayers should not be responsible for this equivalent \$1million mistake. Please provide

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RECORDS REQUESTED (continued):

the recorded justifications that allow this million dollar mistake to happen and why the current mayor is not performing similar dual roles so as not to burden residents and taxpayers.

Any way any rational or pragmatic person looks at this arrangement, this is a terrible, inexcusable financially-shameful deal for the residents of DuBois.

Please explain with backup records and documentation supporting this inexcusable act, including a root cause analysis, who is responsible, and how this \$1 million mistake, never experienced in the history of the city happened and why the residents are responsible to absorb this unusual, unsupportive, bizarre action.

DO YOU WANT COPIES? Yes, printed Yes, electronic No, in-person inspection

Records shall be provided in the medium requested if they exist in that medium; otherwise, they shall be provided in the medium in which they exist. See Section 701. Your request may require payment or prepayment of fees. View the Official RTKL Fee Schedule for more details.

I understand that my request may incur fees. Notify me before further processing if fees will be more than \$100 (or) \$_____.

Do you want certified copies? Yes (may be subject to additional costs) No

ITEMS BELOW THIS LINE FOR AGENCY USE ONLY

Tracking: _____ Date Received: _____ Response Due (5 bus. days): _____

30-Day Ext.? Yes No (If Yes, Final Due Date: _____) Actual Response Date: _____

Request was: Granted Partially Granted & Denied Denied Cost to Requester: \$ _____

Appropriate third parties notified and given an opportunity to object to the release of requested records.

Retain a copy of both pages of this Form.



CITY OF DuBOIS, PENNSYLVANIA

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DuBOIS, PENNSYLVANIA 15801

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November 27, 2024

Ms. Judy Suplizio
314 Hamor Street
DuBois, PA 15801

Dear Ms. Suplizio,

Thank you for writing the City of DuBois with your request for information pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right- To-Know law.

On November 24, 2024, you submitted a request that asked to explain with backup records and documentation supporting this inexcusable act, including a root cause analysis, who is responsible, and how this \$1 million mistake, never experienced in the history of the city happened and why the residents are responsible to absorb this unusual, unsupportive, bizarre action.

The request did not ask for any specific records and is therefore denied.

You have a right to appeal this in writing to: Office of Open Records, 333 Market St., 16th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17101-2234. Appeals can also be filed online at the Office of Open Records website, <https://www.openrecords.pa.gov>.

If you choose to file an appeal you must do so within 15 business days of the mailing date of the agency's response. See 65 P.S. § 67.1101. Please note that a copy of your original Right-to-Know request and this denial letter must be included when filing an appeal. More information about how to file an appeal under the Right-to-Know Law is available at the Office of Open Records website, <https://www.openrecords.pa.gov>.

If you have additional questions, please contact Shawn Arbaugh. This correspondence will serve to close this record with our office as permitted by law.

Respectfully,

Shawn Arbaugh
City Manager
City of DuBois, Clearfield County