

CITY OF DUQUESNE
TUESDAY, July 27, 2021
6:30 PM
CITY COUNCIL MEETING/MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (PLEASE MUTE YOUR PHONES)
MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
OPENING PRAYER – Timothy Caldwell
ROLL CALL

Councilperson Caldwell present
Councilperson Adams present
Councilperson Washington present
Councilperson Henderson-Murphy present (joined late)
Mayor Nesby Not present

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

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CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval for minutes Consent Agenda – June 2021.
Motion was made by Councilperson Adams to approve minutes for Consent Agenda June 2021 and seconded by Councilperson Washington.
(Motion passed 3/0)
2. Bill list for June-July 2021

PUBLIC SAFETY

1. Not present

PUBLIC WORKS

1. On 7/20/21 a new tractor was purchased for the Public Works Dept. It will enhance the department's ability to cut grass and clean snow.
2. Curbs and playgrounds have been sprayed and treated. Please watch children at all times in these areas.
3. Continuing to assess how to repair collapsed wall on Center Street/Crawford Estate.

WATER DEPARTMENT

1. Small water main break that was fixed.

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. Motion was made by Councilperson Caldwell to for Family Center to use Polish Hill on August 25, 2021 from 1pm – 4pm for a health clinic and seconded by Councilperson Adams.
(Motion passed 3/0)
2. Motion was made by Councilperson Caldwell to allow rental for the fields located at Polish Hill through October 2021 for the use of Soccer Tournaments, etc. and seconded by Councilperson Washington.
(Motion passed 3/0)
3. Motion was made by Councilperson Caldwell to approve the order for fire hydrant replacement and seconded by Councilperson Adams.
(Motion passed 3/0)
4. Motion was made by Councilperson Washington to replace 1036 Lincoln with 129 South 1st Street for demolition and seconded by Councilperson Caldwell.
(Motion passed 3/0)
5. Motion was made by Councilperson Caldwell to budget money toward the purchase of plaque for Historical Homes
6. Finished repairs located at 814 Clonmel Street.
7. In an informal motion council agreed to have engineers continue to evaluate a portion of the City of Duquesne as Historic District(s).

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE

1. Not present

TREASURER

1. Report Attached

CONTROLLER

1. No report

SOLICITOR

1. Not present

CITY MANAGER

1. Motion was made by Councilperson Washington to decrease membership of Steel Valley Council representatives to two (2) and seconded by Councilperson Adams.
(Motion passed 3/0)
2. Credit Union is officially leaving City of Duquesne July 30, 2021. Initial plans are to leave the ATM.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. Not present

ACT 47 COORDINATOR

1. Act 47, City Manager, and Council to work on ways to spend American Recovery Funds. May also solicit the aide of Allegheny County Economic Development for any services that they provide.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

1. Not present

POLICE CITIZEN'S REVIEW BOARD

1. Debra Chaffin (see attached report, if not attached was not provided)

***Members of the Duquesne City Council will meet in Executive Session (if needed)

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- *Jamie Gatewood – wants to purchase lots of land near her home on Overland Street to enable her to [ark additional food trucks for her business.*
- *Sheldon Morris – tax issues ongoing with Duquesne and Downtown Pittsburgh. Also wanted to know if citizens could be given a map of historical properties located in City of Duquesne.*
- *Ms. Henderson – Rotor and Duquesne Light have agreed to cut down some overgrowth and assist in an ongoing sewage issue affecting her property. She also wants to rent additional properties once her taxes are caught up in arrears.*
- *Silvia Dedrich – wanted to know the phone number from Ms. Pat for the Family Support Center. (412) 469-9870*
- *Ms. Pat – Thanked city for work being done on playgrounds. Family Support Center located at Library Place is having vaccination drive from 12n – 2pm on September 1, 2021 @ Duquesne Football Field. Call 412-469-9870 for registration.*
- *Reverend Chapman – concerns about trash and animals.*
- *On August 12, 2021 City of Duquesne will be street sweeping. Please pay attention to posted signs to avoid ticketing.*
- *Tom M. – new meeting date for City of Duquesne Monthly Council Meetings. Going forward they will occur on the third (3rd) Tuesday of the month beginning September 21, 2021. He also asked if City of Duquesne has a functioning planning committee? (YES)*
- *Lori S. – concerned about number of accidents that happen on route 837 between Kennywood and Grant Street.*

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilperson Washington and seconded by Councilperson Adams to adjourn the meeting.

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Mayor/Vice-President

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City Manager