

**CITY OF DUQUESNE**  
**TUESDAY, May 25, 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  
Mayor Nesby Not present

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of Minutes/Consent Agenda – March 23, 2021
2. Bill list ending April 2021 – May 2021

**Motion to approve the March 2021 Consent Agenda was made by Councilperson Washington and second by Councilperson Henderson-Murphy**  
**Motion passed 4/0**

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

1. Not present

**PUBLIC WORKS**

1. Hired one (1) person since last meeting
2. In process of repairing equipment
3. In process of purchasing 2<sup>nd</sup> tractor

**WATER DEPARTMENT**

1. Sewage shut offs are not done by City of Duquesne but via PA Water Dept.
2. Payment plans for delinquent accounts of \$300.00 or more
3. \$50.00 turn on fee to be honored once a year added to account, any others must be paid immediately.

4. Delinquent accounts to be in force until \$00.00 balance.

### **COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

1. Total of 16 properties listed to be demolished throughout the Summer 2021
2. Resolve 129 South First Street by next meeting

**Motion was made by Councilperson Henderson-Murphy to re-advertise replacement of fire hydrants throughout the City of Duquesne and second by Councilperson Caldwell**  
**Motion passed 4/0**

### **ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE**

**Motion was made by Councilperson Washington to extend Act 47 for eighteen (18) months, and second by Councilperson Henderson-Murphy.**  
**Motion passed 4/0**

### **TREASURER**

1. Report Attached

### **CONTROLLER**

**Motion was made by Councilperson Washington to accept Maureen Srtahl's resignation as Controller and second by Councilperson Caldwell.**  
**Motion passed 4/0**

### **SOLICITOR**

1. Getting properties in line and having any necessary hearings to approve demolishing properties.

### **CITY MANAGER**

1. Soft opening of City Hall Jun 1, 2021
  - a. Mandatory masks
  - b. Social distancing
  - c. No public restrooms
  - d. 2-3 customers at one time permitted in building

**Motion was made by Councilperson Washington to approve MOU and second by Councilperson Scott.**  
**Motion passed 4/0.**

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

1. Chief Thomas Dunlevy

### **ACT 47 COORDINATOR**

**Motion was made by Councilperson Washington to extend Act 47 for eighteen (18) months, and second by Councilperson Henderson-Murphy.**  
**Motion passed 4/0**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**Motion was made by Councilperson Henderson-Murphy to approve \$5,000.00 from City of Duquesne & Fire Department for Burn-Out Gear and second by Councilperson Caldwell. Motion passed 4/0**

**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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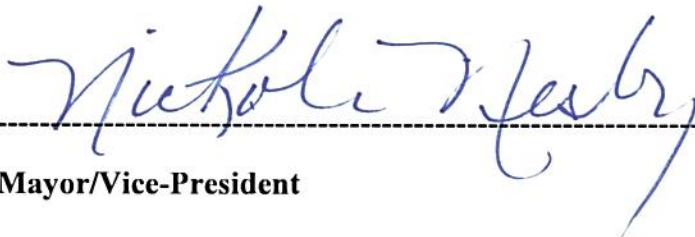
Ms. Pat – 1001 Sherwan Avenue – Make certain we hang flags for Memorial Day in honor of our Veterans.


Tom M. – 115 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street – Thanks for hanging flags at half-staff in honor of past Mayor George Matta. Wants to know if city can get a proclamation for him as well. Thanked John Guyre for services rendered and congratulated Mike Kurta as Public Works Director.

Stephen S – 400 Harden Avenue – Commended Public Works Dept. He appreciates costs savings vs revenues for all Council and Managers.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion was made by Councilperson Washington and second by Councilperson Caldwell to adjourn the meeting.**

  
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Mayor/Vice-President

  
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City Manager