

CITY OF DUQUESNE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

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THE MEETING OPENED WITH A MOMENT OF SILENCE, THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG AND PRAYER.

PRESENT: MAYOR NESBY, MR GYURE, MS WILSON, REV CALDWELL AND MS MCDANIEL (VIA PHONE). ALSO PRESENT: CITY MANAGER CHE A. SAYLES, POLICE CHIEF TOM DUNLEVY, FIRE DEPT CHIEF FRANK COBB, CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL ALLAN CHIESI, CONTROLLER JADE BURLEIGH, ENGINEER DAVE GILLILAND AND CITY SOLICITOR JOHN RUSHFORD
ABSENT: TREASURER DAVID J. BIRES
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CITIZENS COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

SUE MANN: "MY FIRST QUESTION IS TO CLEAN OUR CITY... FOR IT TO BE A SAFE CITY, I'M STILL LOOKING AT BLIGHTED BUILDINGS." MS. MANN STATED, "I LIVE ON ONE SIDE OF DUQUESNE AND MY HOUSE CAUGHT ON FIRE. PEOPLE CAME AND SAID HOW THEY WERE GOING TO REHABILITATE AND TEAR DOWN AND FIX UP, IT'S STILL THE SAME TWO YEARS LATER." MS. MANN WENT ON TO SAY THAT THERE WAS ANOTHER FIRE APPROXIMATELY ON SECOND STREET AND HAMILTON AVENUE. SHE BELIEVES THE BACK OF THE BUILDING IS A FIRE TRAP AND A DANGER FOR THE CHILDREN PLAYING IN THAT AREA. "A LOT OF PEOPLE SAID *THAT* WOULD BE DONE AND ITS STILL NOT DONE YET." MAYOR NESBY ASKED IF SHE COULD COMMENT, "YES, I DO KNOW WE DO HAVE AN ISSUE RIGHT NOW HERE WITH BLIGHTED PROPERTY. WHAT WE ARE ASKING, IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN THERE, IN OUR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WE DO HAVE FORMS." MAYOR NESBY ASKED MS. MANN TO INDICATE ON THE FORM, THE MAILING ADDRESS AND VICINITY OF THE ISSUE AND SHE WILL HAVE SOMEONE LOOK INTO THE MATTER. MAYOR NESBY ALSO STATED "THIS SUMMER WE ARE PARTNERING WITH GOODWILL INDUSTRIES PARTNERS FOR WORK AS WELL AS AURBERLE YOUTH CENTER. WHAT WE ARE DOING AS FAR AS THAT IS WE ARE HIRING YOUTH TO WORK IN THE COMMUNITY TO ADDRESS THOSE PROBLEMATIC AREAS AS WELL." MAYOR NESBY ASKED MS MANN TO BE SURE TO PUT THE PROPERTY INFORMATION ON THE LIST SO THAT THE ISSUE CAN BE ADDRESSED.

MS MANN'S SECOND QUESTION WAS REGARDING AN EMPTY HOME AT 1019 CRAWFORD AVENUE. WHEN RESEARCHING THE PROPERTY ON GOOGLE, 'OFF MARKET' WAS LISTED. MS MANN WAS INQUIRING AS TO WHAT THAT MEANT. MAYOR NESBY ASKED THE RESIDENT IF SHE WOULD PROVIDE HER TELEPHONE NUMBER AFTER THE COUNCIL MEETING. IT WOULD THEN BE FORWARDED TO PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SO THAT THE INFORMATION ON THE PROPERTY COULD BE OBTAINED.

A MOTION NEEDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR APRIL 24, 2018 COUNCIL MEETING WAS MADE BY MR GYURE AND SECONDED BY REV CALDWELL. CARRIED 5-0.

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ACCOUNTS & YOUTH SERVICES

MS MCDANIEL (VIA PHONE): READ BY MAYOR NESBY "COUNCILWOMAN MCDANIEL IS INTERESTED IN IMPLEMENTING A CITY-WIDE COMMUNITY CLEAN UP TWICE A YEAR. IDEALLY, SHE WOULD LIKE THIS TO BE DONE IN THE SPRING AND THE FALL. IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING PLEASE LET HER KNOW." COUNCILWOMAN MCDANIEL ADDED VIA PHONE CALL THAT ONCE SHE GETS THE INFORMATION AS FAR AS VOLUNTEERS, "WE WILL COLLABORATE WHAT DATE WE WILL DO IT AND ANNOUNCE IT AT THE COUNCIL MEETINGS."

DEPT. OF PROPERTIES & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

REV CALDWELL: I WAS GOING TO SAY THIS ABOUT THE PROPERTIES AND DIFFERENT THINGS, BUT THE MAYOR HIT ON IT ALREADY. IF YOU KNOW ANY PROPERTIES THAT ARE FALLING DOWN THAT ARE NEAR YOU, PLEASE COME DOWN AND FILL OUT THE FORMS SO THAT WE MAKE SURE WE GET THINGS TAKEN CARE OF SO THAT WE DON'T ALLOW NOBODY TO GET HURT OR GET DAMAGED. AND ALSO, WE GOT A LOT OF THINGS THAT ARE COMING INTO PLAY WITHIN THE CITY THAT WE ARE TRYING TO LOOK FOR DIFFERENT PLACES TO HOUSE DIFFERENT THINGS SO THAT THE CITY WOULD BE MORE ACCOMMODABLE FOR US TO INHABIT INSTEAD OF US HAVING TO RUN DOWN TO SCHENLEY PARK OR SOMEWHERE LIKE THAT. WE CAN HAVE IT RIGHT HERE IN OUR OWN CITY.

DEPT. OF STREET & PUBLIC WORKS

MR GYURE:

1. PICKED UP TRASH SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK
2. EMPTIED BARRELS (WEEKLY / BIWEEKLY)
3. SECURED 16 PROPERTIES
4. ASSISTED ON WATER BREAKS – 1 (WASN'T A BREAK, BUT RUNNING WATER)
5. SALTED STREETS - 1
6. USED 4 TONS OF COLD PATCH

MAYOR NESBY REQUESTED MORE INFORMATION REGARDING THE PROPERTY ON SECOND STREET AND THE FLOWING WATER. MR GYURE RESPONDED "WE DON'T KNOW WHERE IT WAS COMING FROM, IT'S COMING FROM A TERRA COTTA PIPE WHICH IS USUALLY A SEWER LINE, IT'S NOT A WATER LINE. NOW, THERE WAS A LIBRARY THERE, WHETHER THERE WAS SOMETHING TIED INTO THERE OR NOT, I DON'T KNOW. WHAT WE DID IS, WE RAN A SNAKE UP, CLEANED IT OUT SO IT WAS RUNNING FREELY. WHAT HAPPENED WAS IT WAS COMING OUT OF THE JOINTS BECAUSE THERE WAS ROOTS IN THERE. PUBLIC WORKS CLEANED IT OUT, PUT A PIPE THERE AND CONNECTED TO THE BOTTOM. NOW IT'S RUNNING TO THE SEWER, ITS DRY. THERE IS STILL A FENCE TO REPAIR. MAYOR NESBY RESPONDED "CORRECT. THEY DID FILL IT IN, THEY ARE WAITING FOR THE DIRT TO SETTLE. ONCE IT DOES SETTLE, THEY WILL REPAIR THE FENCE BACK FOR THE RESIDENTS THAT LIVE AT THAT LOCATION."

BUILDING INSPECTOR / CODE ENFORCEMENT

ALLAN CHIESI: REPORT FOR APRIL 2018. WE COLLECTED \$450 FOR INSPECTION OF 12 HOUSES WITH THE CITY ONLY PROFITING \$90.00. THERE WAS 2 BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED FOR \$274.50 WITH THE CITY PROFITING \$54.90. FOR A GRAND TOTAL OF \$724.50. WITH THE CITY PROFITING A TOTAL OF \$144.90 FROM THE 80/20 SPLIT CONTRACT WITH BIU (BUILDING INSPECTOR UNDERWRITERS OF PA).THERE WERE A TOTAL 12 COMPLAINTS: 3 ABANDONED HOME CALL, 1 WATER COMPLAINT, 2 DEAD ANIMAL CALLS AND 6 CALLS FOR DEBRIS.

ENGINEERING REPORT

DAVID GILLILAND: BUILDINGS FOR APRIL 10TH FOR DEMOLITION ARE 135 SOUTH FIRST STREET, 201 SOUTH FIRST STREET, 205 SOUTH FIRST STREET, 209 SOUTH FIRST STREET, AND 206 CEDAR STREET. LOW BID WAS FROM LUTTERMAN EXCAVATION AT \$49,200.00. HOWEVER, CD GRANTS TOTALS ONLY \$30,000.00. AFTER REVIEWING THE SITES, IT IS MY RECOMMENDATION THAT 135 SOUTH FIRST STREET AND 206 CEDAR STREET BE DELETED. THEREFORE COUNCIL COULD AUTHORIZE THE COG TO AWARD CD43 PROJECT TO LUTTERMAN EXCAVATING FOR \$23,200.00. WATER VALVE AND HYDRANT PRIMING, WE ARE HAVING A PRECONSTRUCTION MEETING WITH (INAUDIBLE). THE CONTRACTOR WOULD THEN GET STARTED ON THIS PROJECT WHICH WOULD PLACE TWO VALVES ON SIXTH AND VIOLA. AND A HYDRANT AT LINE AND SEVENTH STREET.

MCKEE ASPHALT WILL BE PAVING LIBRARY, LIPPINCOTT, AND MARYLAND THE WEEK OF MAY 21ST.

I'M HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THE COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY HAS APPROVED OUR CITF GRANT REQUEST FOR \$150,000.00 TO REPLACE WATERLINES ON MARYLAND AND EDITH STREET AND INSTALL A NEW LINE ON ELDER ALLEY TO PROVIDE A ROUTE FOR A WATERLINE ON

COCHRAN. THE APPLICATION WAS FOR \$250,000.00, SO WE WILL HAVE TO DELETE EDITH STREET FROM THE PROJECT IN LIGHT OF THE REDUCED AMOUNT.

MR GYURE QUESTIONED WHO LUTTERMAN EXCAVATION WAS AND CITY SOLICITOR JOHN RUSHFORD REPLIED THAT HE HAS HAD EXPERIENCE WITH THEM AND THEY ARE A PRETTY GOOD COMPANY.

POLICE REPORT

POLICE CHIEF DUNLEVY: APRIL 2018 ACTIVITY REPORT, THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ANSWERED 568 CALLS FOR SERVICE, WE ASSISTED THE AMBULANCE 58 TIMES OF THE TOTAL OF 108 CALLS, WE TOWED AWAY 9 ABANDONED VEHICLES, RESPONDED TO 8 CRASHES, 21 ALARMS, 3 BURGLARIES, 17 DISTURBANCES, 28 DOMESTICS, 20 JUVENILE COMPLAINTS, SHOTS FIRED 13 TIMES IN THE MONTH OF APRIL WITH 1 PERSON SHOT, WE CONDUCTED 133 TRAFFIC STOPS RESULTING IN 97 CITATIONS, 12 WARRANTS, AND 36 ARRESTS.

I ALSO HAVE A MOTION TO HIRE 4 FULL TIME POLICE OFFICERS CONDITIONALLY HAVING THE BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION AND PASSING THE PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINATION. WE HAD A TOTAL OF 22 APPLICANTS COMPLETE, AND I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE THEM BY NAME, NATHAN ROY, DAVID JOHNSTON, MATTHEW TITMUS, AND NICHOLAS PROBOLA.

MAYOR NESBY REQUESTED A MOTION TO HIRE 4 ADDITIONAL POLICE OFFICERS IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE AND ASKED FOR ANY QUESTIONS ON THE MOTION. CITY SOLICITOR JOHN RUSHFORD ALSO REQUESTED THE MOTION STATES THAT THE HIRING OF THE OFFICERS BE PURSUANT TO THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT FOR SALARY AND BENEFITS. THERE WAS AN INQUIRY BY MR GYURE IF THE CITY HAD ENOUGH MONEY TO HIRE OFFICERS AND HE IS FINE WITH IT BECAUSE HE IS FOR THE POLICE.

MAYORS RESPONSE: NO WORRIES, THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SIT IN ON IT. CHIEF DUNLEVY AND I HAVE WENT OVER PART OF THE DIFFERENT BUDGETING WITH THE CITY OF DUQUESNE POLICE DEPARTMENT. WHAT WE FOUND IN REVIEWING IT IS THAT WE WERE SPENDING ANYWHERE FROM \$30,000.00 PLUS A YEAR IN OVERTIME EXPENSES. WHICH MEANS TECHNICALLY IF WE ARE HIRING A NEW EMPLOYEE, A NEW POLICE OFFICER, WE'RE PAYING THEM ROUGHLY \$20.00 AN HOUR, IS UNFORTUNATELY WHAT THEY MAKE. BUT THAT DOES LEAVE SOME LEEWAY, WE'VE ACTUALLY HAD 5 OFFICERS LEAVE, THEY WERE CLOSELY MAKING \$30,000.00 OR MORE. SO WE HAD 5 OF THEM LEAVE, IT GAVE US LEEWAY SO WE CAN HIRE SOME NEW EMPLOYEES, NEW POLICE OFFICERS AND ACTUALLY TRAIN THEM UNDER HIS SUPERVISION. IT IS OUR BELIEF THAT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN EASIER TO

HIRE NEW OFFICERS OPPOSED TO CARRYING THAT FINANCIAL BURDEN OF THE OVER TIME EXPENSE WHICH HAS BEEN OCCURRED OVER ALL THESE YEARS BY BEING UNDERSTAFFED. I DID SIT WITH OFFICER DUNLEVY WHEN WE HAD TALKED ABOUT THIS INITIALLY, THE GOAL WAS TRYING TO HIRE NEW OFFICERS THAT ACTUALLY REPRESENTED MORE OF THE COMMUNITY. WE WERE LOOKING TO HIRE MORE WOMEN, WE WERE LOOKING TO HIRE MORE AFRICAN AMERICANS, BUT UNFORTUNATELY WHEN WE WENT THROUGH THE APPLICATION AND THE INTERVIEW SERVICE WE ONLY HAD 2 INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE AFRICAN AMERICAN AND ONLY 2 WOMEN. SO WHAT WE DID WAS BASED ON THE INTERVIEWING AND BASED ON THE POINT SCORING SYSTEM THOSE WERE THE INDIVIDUALS THAT SCORED THE HIGHEST.

A MOTION NEEDED TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF 4 FULL TIME POLICE OFFICERS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT FOR SALARY AND BENEFITS WAS MADE BY MR GYURE AND SECONDED BY REV CALDWELL. CARRIED 5-0.

CONSIDER A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE STEEL RIVERS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT TO AWARD CD43 DEMOLITION PROJECT TO LUTTERMAN EXCAVATING FOR \$23,000.00. MOTION WAS MADE BY REV CALDWELL AND SECONDED BY MR GYURE. CARRIED 5-0.

FIRE REPORT

FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF FRANK COBB: THE MONTH OF APRIL FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT IS AS FOLLOWS. THERE WERE 24 CALLS IN TOTAL. 3 CALLS FOR FIRE, 3 CALLS FOR RESCUE EMERGENCY SERVICES RENDERED, 4 CALLS FOR HAZARDOUS CONDITION (NO FIRE), 5 SERVICE CALLS, 4 CALLS FOR GOOD INTENT, AND 5 FALSE ALARM CALLS.

BACK IN FEBRUARY THE CITY OF DUQUESNE'S ISO RATING WAS CONDUCTED BY THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA. THE LAST TIME IT WAS DONE IN THIS CITY WAS 1989 WHEN WE WERE UNDER THE DIRECTION OF PAID FIRE DEPARTMENT. THE SCORING SYSTEM IS 1 BEING THE BEST AND 10 BEING THE WORST. IN 1989, THE LAST TIME IT WAS PERFORMED WHICH ITS GRADE WAS 9, WHICH WAS PRETTY BAD ON A SCALE OF FIRE PROTECTION. FOR THOSE THAT DON'T KNOWABOUT THAT, IT'S FOR THE INSURANCE COMPANIES, IT CAN HIGHER OR LOWER INSURANCE RATES FOR HOMEOWNERS. IN FEBRUARY WE OPENED A DOOR FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO BE REVEIUED FOR OUR MEMBERSHIP, PERSONNEL, OUR FIRE RESPONSE, OUR TRAINING, AND EQUIPMENT. I'M PLEASED TO REPORT THAT I RECEIVED OUR ISO RATING WHICH HAS GONE DOWN TO A 4 WHICH IS 5 POINTS BETTER THAN OUR SCORE IN 1989 AND 3 POINTS AWAY FROM BEING IN THE BEST PLACEMENT FOR OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

JOHN RUSHMORE: I HAVE ONE ITEM, WE ARE IN THE FIRST MONTH WORKING ON A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT PROJECTS. ONE OF THEM I WANT TO MENTION TONIGHT IS THE CODIFICATION OF THE ORDINANCES. WE'RE WORKING ON GETTING AN UPDATED CODIFICATION OF THE ORDINANCES AND THE GOAL OF THAT WILL BE TO HAVE THE CITY'S ORDINANCES AVAILABLE ONLINE ON A SEARCHABLE DATA BASE WHERE THE CITIZENS AND PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND PRACTICALLY ANYONE ELSE IN THE REGION. SO WE'RE WORKING ON THAT WITH THE PUBLISHING COMPANY. I SHALL HAVE SOMETHING MORE AT THE NEXT MEETING.

WATER DEPARTMENT / DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES

MS WILSON: NO REPORT

CONTROLLER'S REPORT

NO REPORT.

ACT 47 MICHAEL FOREMAN: NO REPORT

TREASURERS REPORT

DAVID J. BIRES: ABSENT. NO REPORT.

MAYORS REPORT / NEW BUSINESS

I JUST WANTED TO GO OVER SOME MINOR 'HOUSEKEEPING THINGS' ... WE RECEIVED A THANK YOU CARD FROM THE DUQUESNE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT "TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL, THANK YOU FOR TAKING CARE OF THE BILL FOR OUR LADDER TRUCK REPAIR." I WANT TO SAY YOUR WELCOME FOR THAT.

ALSO, WHEN I WENT TO ALLEGHENY COUNTY WEEK OF MUNICIPALITIES, THERE WAS ACTUALLY AN OPPORTUNITY THERE WHERE PA DIRT, GRAVEL AND LOW VOLUME ROAD PROGRAM WHERE IF YOU ACTUALLY SEND INDIVIDUALS FROM YOUR STAFF, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, WE'RE LOOKING INTO ACTUALLY SENDING 2 INDIVIDUALS THERE. WE WILL THEN BE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING FOR ROAD PAVEMENT. SO, WE DO HAVE 2 INDIVIDUALS WHICH WILL BE GOING TO THIS 2 DAY TRAINING SEMINAR. ONCE WE HAVE THE INFORMATION, WE CAN GO AHEAD AND APPROVE THE SPENDING ALOTMENT FOR THEM TO GO TO AND FROM.

WE HAVE 2 INDIVIDUALS THAT WILL BE GOING TO THE PA TRAINING HUB FOR MUNICIPAL LEARNING FOR THE DUTIES OF THE PLANNING

COMMINSSION. JAMIE GATEWOOD AND REV TAMELA WALKER WHO SERVE ON OUR PLANNING COMMISSION. THEY WILL BE ATTENDING TRAINING ON MAY 10, 2018 FROM 6PM TO 9PM AND COST OF IT IS \$50.00 PER PERSON.

THE CITY HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY FIRST STEP RECOVERY OVER IN THE CITY OF MCKEESPORT TO DO A DRUG AND ALCOHOL SERVICES TO PROVIDE SERVICES FOR THE CITY. WE ARE STILL WORKING OUT THE DETAILS OF THAT. WE HAVE HAD INDIVIDUALS COME TO THE CITY AND ASK IF COULD HAVE SOME TYPE OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL CLASS OR SUPPORT SYSTEM IN THE CITY. SO, AS WE MOVE FORWARD, WE WILL CONTINUE THAT DISCUSSION WITH THEM AS WELL.

ON MAY 15TH WE WILL BE HOSTING RIGHT HERE IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE WITH THE PARTNERS FOR WORK, EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN FROM AGES 14 TO 24. SINCE SO MANY PEOPLE IN THIS CITY DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THE COMPUTER THEY ARE ACTUALLY GOING TO BRING THEIR PHYSICAL STAFF IN HERE FROM 3:30 TO 5:30. THE CHILDREN WILL NEED SOCIAL SECURITY CARDS, BIRTH CERTIFICATES, AND PROOF OF INCOME. FOR THOSE THAT DO NOT HAVE IT, IF THEY CONTACT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AT LEAST FOR DUQUESNE, THEY HAVE SAID THAT THEY CAN ACTUALLY FAX IT OVER TO US IF THEY NEED THEIR BIRTH CERTIFICATES. IF THEY HAVE THEM ON FILE, THEY WILL FAX THEM OVER TO US SO THAT WON'T DELAY IN THE PROCESS OF EMPLOYMENT.

IS ANYONE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING TO WORK AT THE SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM UP AT POLISH HILL? IF YOU KNOW ANYONE INTERESTED PLEAESE LET US KNOW.

ALSO, WHAT WE HAVE TO DO, WE NEED DISCUSS ON THESE COMMITTEES THAT WE SET UP. WE NEED TO PICK A DATE FOR EACH ONE OF YOU ALL TO START HAVING YOUR MEETINGS. MEETING DATE AS WELL AS YOUR MEMBERS. FOR THOSE OF YOU THAT WERE NOT HERE PREVIOUSLY, COUNCILMAN JOHN GYURE IS IN CHARGE OF OUR POLICE CITIZENS REVIEW BOARD, IS WHAT HE WILL BE HANDLING. TIM IS IN CHARGE OF COMMUNITY AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT. I HAVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, THAT'S ONE OF MANY. WE MEET THE 3RD SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH HERE INSIDE THE CITY OF DUQUESNE AT 12:00. WE HAVE NOT SET UP THE DATE AND TIME YET FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OR THE SAFETY WHICH I ALSO CHAIR AS WELL.

JUST A 411... SERVICES WILL BE RESTORED BACK TO THE RESIDENTS WHO LIVE OUT IN DUQUESNE PLACE. IN JUNE, THE LAST WEEK IN JUNE BUS SERVICES WILL BE RESTORED. ALSO, WE QUOTE ON QUOTE WON THE OPPOSITION FOR THE BRT, WHICH WAS THE BUS RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEM THAT WAS GOING TO REDUCE TRANSPORTATION IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE BY AN ADDITIONAL 45%. WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THAT RIGHT NOW IS THEY

ARE GOING BACK TO THE BOARD, BACK TO THE TABLE AND THEY, RIGHT NOW, ARE TRYING TO THINK UP A NEW PLAN OF HOW THEY COULD POSSIBLY SAVE IT OR SALVAGE IT. BUT THIS TIME THEY ARE ACTUALLY GOING TO INCLUDE THE COMMUNITIES OF THE MON VALLEY IN THE DISCUSSION THIS TIME. SO, THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO CAME OUT AND SUPPORTED US AT ALL VARIOUS EVENTS.

WE HAVE BEEN CONTACTED BY NEW BUSINESSES REGARDING THE OLD PONDEROSA POSSIBLY BE TURNED BACK INTO A TACO BELL, WE'VE BEEN CONTACTED ABOUT SOMEONE WANTING TO BRING IN A BARBEQUE BUSINESS, A POSSIBLE DISPENSARY FOR MEDICAL MARIJUANA, POSSIBLE GROWING OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA ON OUR MILLSITE OVER ON RIDC PARK. SENATOR BREWSTER GAVE ME A PHONE CALL REGARDING THE GLASS COMPANY. IN JANUARY THE CITY SENT A SUPPORT LETTER TO THE AUSTRALIAN GLASS COMPANY WHO IS INTERESTED IN BUILDING ON THE MILL SITE. FULL CAPACITY WOULD HIRE UP TO 300 PEOPLE, TAKING A SEGMENT OF INDIVIDUALS TO GERMANY TO TRAIN THEM AND BRING THEM BACK TO THE CITY OF DUQUESNE TO CONTINUE WORKING AT FULL CAPACITY. INITIALLY THEY WILL OPEN UP AT EMPLOYING 100 PEOPLE.

WE WILL BE STARTING AGAIN, PROBABLY IN JULY, START RUNNING EXPUNGEMENT PROGRAMS. EITHER WE'LL DO WILLIAMS OR DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY AS WE DID PRIOR IN THE YEAR OF 2017.

WE, TODAY, RECEIVED A CHECK FOR \$500.00 FROM ALLEGHENY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT 'LIVE WELL ALLEGHENY'. I WROTE A GRANT FOR \$500.00 FOR 'MOVIE NIGHT IN THE PARK', SO I'M REALLY EXCITED. WE ARE GOING TO UTILIZE THE MONEY TO BUY A POPCORN POPPER, A MOVIE PROJECTOR, OUR VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT SAID THEY WOULD WORK TO BUILD US A SCREEN AND WE HOPE TO KICK OFF ON THE 1ST OF JUNE OVER IN THE PARK. SO I WANT TO LET YOU KNOW THAT.

WE'VE ALSO BEEN INVITED, MAYOR AND COUNCIL, TO ATTEND A FLOWER PLANTING PROCESS DOWN HERE ON THE CORNER OF FIRST AND GRANT ON THE 23RD OF MAY AT 9:30AM. LOVE N CARE CHILD CARE FACILITY HAS INVITED US TO IT. WE WILL BE HAVING FLOWERS DONATED, THEY SHOULD COME THAT FRIDAY BEFORE WE DO THAT, JUST TO LET YOU KNOW.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

MS PAT BLUETT:

I WANTED TO ASK PERMISSSION FROM THE CITY. LAST YEAR, INCASE YOU DIDN'T KNOW IT, THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB HAS A BOYS CLUB WHO MEETS THERE ONCE A WEEK ON WEDNESDAYS. LAST YEAR WE DECORATED THE PARK. ONE FLAG FOR EVERY VETERAN WHO'S NAME IS

ON THE MONUMENT. WE WOULD LIKE PERMISSION TO DO THAT AGAIN FOR MAY 23RD. BUT WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO EXTEND THE OFFER FOR 4TH OF JULY, FOR LABOR DAY, AND ONCE AGAIN FOR VETERANS DAY. THE BOYS RIGHT NOW ARE LEARNING ABOUT THE MEANING FOR THE MONUMENT, THE MEANING OF THE FLAG, AND THE TREATMENT THE FLAG. EACH ONE IS A RECEIVER OF THE FLAG AND EACH ONE WILL LEARN THE NAME OF THE PERSON THEY ARE PUTTING THAT FLAG UP FOR. THEY WILL PUT UP AND TAKE DOWN THE FLAG FOR EACH ONE.

A MOTION REQUESTED TO APPROVE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB ACTIVITIES FOR VETERANS IN THE PARK WAS MADE BY MR GYURE AND SECONDED BY REV CALDWELL. CARRIED 5-0.

ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

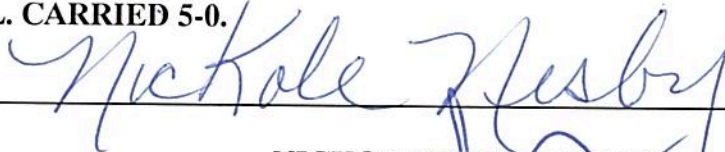
MR GYURE: WE ARE DOING THIS IN THE PARK TO HONOR OUR VETERANS, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE AWARE OF IT, BUT WE HAD A CANNON OUT AT THE VFW AND I THINK I BROUGHT THIS UP TO YOU ONCE BEFORE. WE HAD IT REDONE, FOR SOME REASON WHITAKER VFW TOOK IT. WE NEVER HEARD NOTHING OF IT. IT'S BEEN GONE, THE OLDER PEOPLE REMEMBER IT, THERE WERE 2 CANNONS THERE. NOW THE ONE AT THE VFW, THEY TOOK IT AND IT'S SITTING AT WHITAKER VFW, AND I 'D LIKE TO GET IT BACK. IT'S BEEN GONE A YEAR, WE HAVE PAPERWORK THAT IT'S CITY PROPERTY, IT WAS IN THE OLD MONUMENT.

MAYOR'S RESPONSE IS TO DRAFT A LETTER AND HAVE IT GO OUT.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

A GENTLEMAN FROM HANUS PLUMBING WHO DID NOT ANNOUNCE HIS NAME ASKED TO SEE IF HE SHOULD LET COUNCIL BE AWARE OF HIM BUILDING A GARAGE ON WEST GRANT BECAUSE HE WILL NEED SIGNATURES FROM COUNCIL OR IF HE SHOULD LEAVE THE PLANS WITH COUNCIL. MAYOR'S RESPONSE TO THE CITIZEN WAS THAT THE PLANS MUST GO THROUGH THE PLANNING COMMISSION THEN WOULD COME BACK TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL FOR SIGNING OFF.

A MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE BY MR GYURE AND SECONDED BY REV CALDWELL. CARRIED 5-0.



NICKOLE NESBY, MAYOR



CHE A. SAYLES, CITY MANAGER

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ANDY VAMOS: PRESENTED WITH QUESTIONS REGARDING A LOT ON THE CORNER OF WILMOT AND KENNEDY THAT HE INQUIRED ABOUT SEVERAL WEEKS AGO. HE WAS WONDERING IF IT WAS FOR SALE. MAYOR NESBY ASKED THAT AT THE TIME OF QUESTIONING HE PROVIDE LOT AND BLOCK INFORMATION IN WRITING TO PRESENT TO PUBLIC WORKS FOR REVIEW. BEING THAT HE HAD NOT PROVIDED SUCH INFORMATION, THE MATTER WAS NOT ATTENDED TO. MAYOR NESBY ADVISED THAT IF THE INFORMATION BE PROVIDED, THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WOULD BE HAPPY TO REVIEW AND RESPOND WITH ITS FINDINGS.

MR. VAMOS INQUIRED ABOUT VARIOUS POTHOLES THROUGHOUT THE CITY AND DAMAGE CAUSED TO HIS VEHICLE. HE WAS INFORMED THAT THE AREA ON SECOND STREET AND KENNEDY AVENUE HAD BEEN REPAIRED TODAY MAY 22, 2018 BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. THE AREA IN WHICH HIS VEHICLE WAS DAMAGED BELONGS TO THE CITY OF MCKEESPORT AND HE SHOULD REPORT THAT TO MCKEESPORT'S ADMINISTRATION AT ONE OF ITS COUNCIL MEETINGS.

MAYORS RESPONSE: "THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THAT TO OUR ATTENTION. AS WE ARE A NEW ADMINISTRATION, THERE ARE A LOT OF ISSUES IN THE CITY WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN ATTENDED TO OVER THE YEARS. IT IS OUR HOPE TO ADDRESS ALL THOSE ISSUES IN TIME. HOWEVER, THE MOST PRESSING ONES THAT WE ARE TRYING TO SEE TO AT THIS PARTICULAR POINT IN TIME, ONE IS THE FINANCIAL STABILITY OF THE CITY. SECONDLY IS THE WATER SITUATION THAT IS GOING ON IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE AND THEN THIRDLY OR FOURTHLY WE CAN ADD YOUR CONCERNS ONTO THAT LIST. WHAT WE DO ASK UNDER THE CURRENT ADMINISTRATION, THAT IF YOU HAVE ANY ISSUES RATHER IT IS WITH THE STREETS, BLIGHTED

PROPERTY OR ANYTHING ELSE THAT MAY BE IN THE CITY, WE ASK THAT YOU SUBMIT THAT INFORMATION IN WRITING. IF YOU DO NOT WANT YOUR NAME ON IT, YOU CAN STILL SUBMIT THAT INFORMATION WITHOUT YOUR NAME ON IT AND WHAT WE WILL DO IS PRIORITIZE IT AND ADDRESS IT THAT THAT TIME.”

SHELDON MORRIS – 315 KENNEDY AVENUE: "TO FIGHT AGAINST THE MAYOR AND TO NOT WORK FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE CITY... IF YOU RUN FOR OFFICE, I TELL THEM THE WHOLE TIME I'M GOING TO RALLY AGAINST YOU, BECAUSE YOU CAN'T GET BACK IN. THIS IS SENSELESS! I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND. WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? THIS IS LIKE A ZOO, A REAL ZOO. THE ONLY PEOPLE THAT SUFFER IS THE PEOPLE ON FIXED INCOME LIVING IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE THAT'S BEEN BULLDOZED OVER YEAR AFTER YEAR AFTER YEAR. SOMETHING HAS TO CHANGE. YOU PAY \$50.00 TO GET A WATER BILL IN YOUR NAME, ULTIMATELY THE OWNER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR A \$4000.00 WATER BILL THAT SHOULD'VE NEVER GOTTEN THAT HIGH... IT'S JUST LUDICROUS. AND THEN I WATCH THE NEWS, NOW THEY'RE SAYING OUR WATER IS UNDRINKABLE? I MEAN REALLY, WHAT'S GOING ON? THERE'S SOMETHING GOING ON. WHAT I SUGGEST IS SINCE THE CITY IS IN SUCH BAD SHAPE, JUST GO AHEAD AND CLEAN HOUSE. BECAUSE THEY ARE GOING TO STALEMATE YOU ON EVERY STEP. THAT'S THE BEST THING FOR THE CITY. THE DEA GETS MONEY TO TAKE CARE OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, PUT THAT MONEY IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE. RATHER IT BE FOR A PLAYGROUND, RATHER IT BE FOR A CENTER WHERE PEOPLE CAN GO AND GATHER AND GET THINGS DONE. THIS IS JUST... I AM GOING TO GO ON A REAL CRUSADE AND I'LL BE HERE EVERY MEETING AFTERWARDS AND WE WILL SINGLE YOU OUT IF YOU DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN CHANGING THIS CITY AROUND. I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF IT. I'VE HAD PEOPLE COME TO MY HOUSE AND ACCUSE ME OF PUTTING TRIMMINGS IN DIFFERENT PLACES, COME ON MY PROPERTY AND CUT TREES. THEY HAVE NO BUSINESS DOING THAT. IF IT SHOULD HAPPEN AGAIN, I'LL CALL THE POLICE AND I WILL MAKE SURE THE PERSON IS PROSECUTED. IF I PUT A BRICK IN FRONT OF MY HOUSE BECAUSE I'M GETTING FURNITURE, AND SOMEBODY MOVES IT, I'M COMPLAINING ABOUT THAT. THIS IS INSANE, I'M SO BESIDE MYSELF. THAT, IF ANYBODY WOULD TAKE AN OATH OF OFFICE AND SIT AT THE TABLE AND NOT PARTICIPATE IN HELPING THE MAYOR MAKE A CHANGE. YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF YOURSELF, THREE TIMES BE ASHAMED OF YOURSELF. DON'T BE A HINDERANCE IF YOU CAN'T HELP. LIGHT A CANDLE AND PRAY FOR IT. DON'T BE A HINDERANCE. THESE THINGS WILL NOT HAPPEN BY CHANCE. THEY CALCULATED THINGS, THEY ARE WORKING ON EVERY HAND TO UNDO OR FORBID HER FROM DOING THE THINGS SHE NEEDS TO DO. THE POOR PEOPLE ARE SUFFERING AND IF YOU ASK ME TO VOTE FOR YOU, I WILL MAKE SURE I COME TO EVERY MEETING AND QUESTION YOUR INTENTIONS. WHAT IS YOUR INTENTION FOR THE CITY OF DUQUESNE OTHER THAN A PAYCHECK; ALL THE FRINGE BENEFITS THAT COME WITH IT? STATE SENATORS, ALL THAT. THIS HAS GOT TO STOP. WE, AS

AFRICAN AMERICANS, LIVE IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE JUST AS WELL AS WHITES, LATINOS, AND ALL THE OTHER PEOPLE. WE SHOULD HAVE A RIGHT TO HAVE OUR VOICES BE HEARD BY FINALLY, US BEING ALLOWED TO KNOW WHAT IS ACTUALLY HAPPENING IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE WHEN WE HAVE BEEN PREVENTED IN THE PAST BECAUSE OF BIG BROTHERHOOD TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON. I KEEP TELLING YOU THAT PLEASE, IF YOU CAN NOT HELP HER, THEN JUST STEP AWAY, RESIGN AND LET SOMEBODY ELSE GET A SPOT. BUT TO CARRY ON LIKE THIS AND LOOK AT PEOPLE IN THE FACE EVERYDAY IS TERRIBLE, ABSOLUTELY TERRIBLE. AND SOMEBODY KNOWS WHO'S GOING INTO DO DIFFERENT THINGS TO STALEMATE THIS WOMAN FROM DOING THE THINGS SHE NEEDS TO DO. SHE HAD TO GO THROUGH A WHOLE LOT OF (EXPLETIVE) THAT WAS NOT HER OWN AND WE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE ABOUT IT BECAUSE IT WAS BEHIND THESE DOORS THAT THIS KIND OF CARRYING ON AND CORRUPTION WAS HAPPENING."

RESIDENT (NAME NOT STATED): GENTELMAN STATED THIS IS HIS FIRST MEETING HE ATTENDED, AND HE'S BEEN LIVING IN DUQUESNE SINCE 1933. HIS COMPLAINT IS REGARDING BLIGHTED PROPERTY LOCATED ON CEDAR STREET. HE EXPLAINED HE HAS SPOKEN TO THE PREVIOUS MAYOR TWICE ABOUT THE HOUSE. "IT IS FALLING DOWN AND IT'S A SHAME THAT HOUSE IS SITTING IN THAT CONDITION". HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT HE THOUGHT IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE TAKEN CARE OF TWO YEARS AGO AND REQUESTED TO PLEASE HAVE THE HOUSE TORN DOWN.

MAYOR NESBY (RESPONSE): "WE ARE AWARE OF IT. I THINK THE FAMILY IS IN MARYLAND THAT HAS BEEN SENDING ME LETTERS. I DID SPEAK WITH HER DAUGHTER, BUT I AM GETTING A LETTER I THINK FROM HER SON OR GRANDSON. BUT WE ARE AWARE OF IT AND IT IS ON THE DEMO LIST TO BE TORN DOWN THIS YEAR. I AM FAMILIAR WITH THE EYESORE AND IT'S DIRECTLY ACROSS THE STREET FROM JOE'S LUNCHEONETTE WHERE IT USED TO BE, WHERE IT IS BUCKLING. I'VE SEEN IT FOR YEARS WHERE THE TAPE IS OUTSIDE. BUT IT'S ON THE DEMO LIST TO BE TORN DOWN."

SHELDON MORRIS: "THE CITY OF DUQUESNE NEEDS TO REVISIT THE CHARTER AS FAR AS IT GOES FOR WATER BILLS. TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR OR FORMULATE SOME SORT OF RULE ASIDE FROM WHAT I AM PRESENTLY SEEING. THERE'S NO WAY THAT FIRST ISSUE OF REQUIRED \$50.00 RETAINMENT FEE FOR WATER AND NEVER GETS IN THEIR NAME AND THE OWNER ULTIMATELY HAS TO ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PAYING THE BILL FOR SOMEBODY WHO HAS WASHED, FED, AND WHATEVER ELSE THEY DID WITH WATER. I'M SURE TO GO DOWNTOWN, I'M GOING TO MAKE SURE I'M ON TV AND I'M GOING TO MAKE SURE I'M ON RADIO. I'M CALLING OUT ALL THE LEGALITY, IF YOU AIN'T WITH THE PROGRAM. PLEASE TRY TO WORK SOMETHING OUT WHERE SOME OF THESE ISSUES, MAINLY WATER, THAT THERE IS SOME SORT OF BOUNDARIES SET FOR LIMITING HOW MUCH A RENTER CAN USE IN WATER IF ULTIMATELY

THE HOMEOWNER IS RESPONSIBLE TO PAY A \$4000.00 WATER BILL. THE OWNER SHOULD BE ABLE TO CALL AND HAVE THE WATER TURNED OFF AT \$50.00. CHANGE THE POLICY, LOOK AT THE CHARTER, SEE THE THINGS THAT NEED TO BE CHANGED AND CHANGE THEM. WE OBVIOUSLY, FOR THE PAST I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY YEARS, HOW THIS SYSTEM IS BROKEN AND NOW WE SEE THE EVIDENCE THAT THE SYSTEM IS BROKEN. THE MAN, WOMAN, BOY OR GIRL WHO IS IN CHARGE OF THE WATER SYSTEM OBVIOUSLY FAILED HUGELY AND DISOBEYED WHAT THEY WERE SEEING. PEOPLE'S LIVES ARE AT RISK. THIS IS JUST, REALLY... THE CONGRESSMAN, THE SENATORS, WHEATLEY(?), THE OTHER GUY IN MCKEESPORT RIGLEY(?), ALL OF THEM... LET THEM KNOW THAT I'M WRITING, CITING FROM THE CITY. I'M GOING TO RALLEY AGAINST THEM UNTIL IT HAPPENS. EVERYONE IS HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR ACTIONS. DON'T BE THEM, PLEASE."

REV PETER ROY: "I KNOW I'M NOT A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF DUQUESNE, MY NAME IS REV PETER ROY AND I AM THE PASTOR OF TERRACE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, 1815 WORTON BLVD, WEST MIFFLIN, PA. I WANTED TO LET YOU, THE COUNCIL KNOW THAT TERRACE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE AND THE RED CROSS ARE PARTNERING TOGETHER TO PUT TOGETHER A SHELTERING TEAM THAT IF THERE IS SOMETHING THAT HAPPENES IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE, IN WEST MIFFLIN, AND IN THE AREA IN THE EVENT THAT SOMEBODY IS DISPLACED BECAUSE OF FIRE, A NATURAL DISASTER, OR MANMADE DISASTER. WE WOULD BE THERE TO ASSIST. THERE IS SOME TRAINING, WE HAVE A MEETING. WE HAVE ONE RESIDENT OF DUQUESNE AND FIFTEEN OTHER RESIDENTS OF WEST MIFFLIN THAT ARE COMING TOGETHER TO SUPPORT. WHEN THAT IS IN PLACE I WILL LET YOU KNOW. BUT I WANT YOU TO KNOW SO THAT WE ARE HERE FOR YOU."

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RESIDENT (NO NAME STATED): CONCERNS WERE EXPRESSED REGARDING A HOUSE ON SIXTH AND KENNEDY ACROSS FROM THE APOSTLYSTIC CHURCH. THE BUILDING IS COLLAPSING, WILDLIFE IS INHABITING THE AREA, AND THE WILDLIFE IS GETTING INTO SURROUNDING NEIGHBORS HOMES. THE BUILDING IS DANGEROUS.

IT WAS EXPLAINED BY MR. GYURE THAT THE HOUSE IS ON THE DEMO LIST, THE CITY OWNS IT, BUT THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY IS FIGHTING IT IN FEDERAL COURT.

THE HOME OWENER, MR KAMINSKI, WAS PRESENT AND ADDED THAT HE HAS AN EMERGENGY INJUNCTION PENDING.

CITY SOLICITOR JOHN RUSHMORE EXPLAINED THAT BEING THAT THIS MATTER IS IN LITIGATION, ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION IS NOT APPROPRIATE.

A MOTION NEEDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MAY 8, 2018 COUNCIL MEETING WAS MADE BY MR GYURE AND SECONDED BY MS MCDANIEL. CARRIED 5-0.

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ACCOUNTS & YOUTH SERVICES
MS MCDANIEL: NO REPORT.

WATER DEPARTMENT / DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES
MS WILSON: 11 CHANGES OF ADDRESS REPORTED TO PA AMERICAN, 13 ACCOUNTS CLOSED, 6 FINAL BILLINGS TO PA AMERICAN, 3 FINAL READINGS, 11 NEW ACCOUNTS IN THE TOTAL OF \$550.00, 4 NO-LIEN LETTERS IN THE TOTAL OF \$200.00, TERMINATION FEES COLLECTED \$1500.00, BRINGING A TOTAL OF \$2,250.00.

MAYOR NESBY: "JUST TO LET YOU KNOW AND TO BRING YOU UP ON THAT PART. I WAS CONTACTED BY SEVERAL RESIDENTS REGARDING THE DOUBLE BILLING FROM PENNSYLVANIA AMERICAN WATER. I DID TOO LOOK AT MY BILL AND IT WAS DOUBLED. SO, WHAT WE HAVE DONE TO BRING UP TO PAR IS WE'VE ASKED THEM TO COME ON IN TO GIVE US AN EXPLANATION AS WHY THIS OCCURRED. IN ADDITION, WE WERE CONTACTED BY CODY SMITH WHO IS FROM PITTSBURGH TANK AND TOWER GROUP REGARDING OUR TANKS. PRIOR TO THIS WE HAD AN ESTIMATE CLOSE TO \$400,000.00 TO TAKE CORRECTIVE ACTION ON OUR STANDPIPE AS WELL AS OUR RESERVOIR. SINCE THEN THAT SAME COMPANY HAS COME BACK IN AND HAS GIVEN US A \$2,000,000.00 ESTIMATE IN ORDER FOR THE REPAIRS. I WILL UPDATE THE ACT 47 COORDINATOR MIKE FOREMAN ON IT. I SENT COUNCIL THE PICTURES OF IT AND ALSO OUR SOLICITOR, SO YOU WILL BE BROUGHT UP TO CODE. ANOTHER YOUNG MAN CONTACTED US AND HE ASKED FOR THAT INFORMATION, I SENT IT OVER TO HIM. HERE'S HIS INFORMATION JUST BRING YOU UP TO CODE, SO YOU CAN KEEP UP ON THAT."

CITY SOLICITOR JOHN RUSHMORE: "CAN I RECOMMEND, MAYOR, GIVEN THE COMMENT THAT WAS MADE EARLIER ABOUT SHUT OFFS AND THE ISSUE OF RESIDENT VERSUS TENANT. COULD THAT BE ADDED TO THAT MEETING WITH PENNSYLVANIA WATER?"

MAYOR NESBY: "YES, JUST TO BRING YOU UP TO SPEED ON MR. MORRIS AND WHAT THE ISSUE WAS. MR. MORRIS IS A HOMEOWNER IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE WHO HAD RENTAL PROPERTY. AND HE HAD A TENANT IN HIS HOUSE WHO HADN'T PAID A WATER BILL IN OVER SIX MONTHS. THE SERVICE WASN'T TERMINATED, AND HIS BILL WAS A LITTLE OVER \$4000.00. THAT INDIVIDUAL THAT WAS THERE DID NOT PAY THE WATER BILL, AND IT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING UNDER THE PRIOR ADMINISTRATION THAT IF IT WAS \$75.00 OR OVER, THE SERVICES SHOULD HAVE BEEN TERMINATED AND IT HASN'T BEEN ADHERED TO. SO, AT THIS PARTICULAR POINT IN TIME,

WHEN YOU ADD THE SEWAGE PORTION TO IT, HE'S LOOKING AT A BILL HE BROUGHT ME IN WAS CLOSE TO \$14,000.00. SO THAT'S WHY HE'S UPSET. BUT WHEN HE CAME TO MY OFFICE I DID LET HIM KNOW THAT PART, UNDER THIS NEW ADMINISTRATION, ONE OF THE TEN COMMITTEES THAT WE STARTED, ANYONE IN HERE CAN SERVE ON ANYONE OF THESE TEN COMMITTEES) THAT WE HAVE A UTILITY ONE. WHAT IT'S INTENT IS TO ADDRESS THAT SITUATION AS FAR AS THE WATER. IT WILL ADDRESS ANYTHING ELSE LIKE LIGHT, GAS. WE'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT WHEN IT'S TIME TO RENEW OUR CONTRACT WITH COMCAST OR ANYTHING ELSE. WE'RE GOING TO REVIEW EVERYTHING THAT'S DONE WITH THE RESIDENTS BECAUSE YOU ALL ACTUALLY HAVE AN INPUT IN YOUR GOVERNMENT AND YOU ACTUALLY IN SOME POINT IN TIME SPEAK UP. BUT THIS IS YOUR GOVERNMENT, YOU HAVE A SAY SO. THAT UTILITY MEETING MEETS EVERY SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 10:00AM IN THE CHAMBERS. SO, YOU CAN COME ON IN. WE'RE GOING TO DISCUSS IN THERE TOO, IS THERE SOMETHING WE CAN DO FOR AN INDIVIDUAL SUCH AS HIM? CAN WE OFFER AMNESTY PROGRAMS? WE REALLY DON'T KNOW. BUT, WHAT I CAN TELL YOU IS, WHEN WE HAVE SPOKEN BEFORE ABOUT THE WATER, I TOLD YOU THERE WAS OVER \$72,000.00 OWED IN OUTSTANDING REVENUE IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE. SINCE THEN, WE DID OUR ONE ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGE WHERE WE MOVED ONE OF OUR EMPLOYEES TO A DIFFERENT PART OF THE CITY, SHE IS NOW WORKING IN THE WATER DEPARTMENT. DURING LAST MONTH'S REVIEW, THE AMOUNT AT THAT PARTICULAR POINT IN TIME WAS BROUGHT DOWN FROM CLOSE TO \$72,000.00 TO \$55,503.24. SINCE THEN, IN THE LAST THIRTY DAYS THAT AMOUNT WAS BROUGHT DOWN TO \$50,005.26. WHICH IS A REDUCTION OF \$5,497.98. WE HAVE CALLED IN EVERY INDIVIDUAL WHO 'QUOTE ON QUOTE' HAD A PAYMENT ARRANGEMENT UNDER THE PRIOR ADMINISTRATION AND INFORMED THEM WE HAVE NEW ARRANGEMENTS COMING INTO PLAY UNDER THIS NEW ADMINISTRATION. SOME OF THOSE DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS HAD BEEN THERE SINCE 2012. THEY NEED TO BE LOOKED AT. SOME OF THEM HAD MONTHLY PAYMENTS WHERE THEY WERE \$100.00 PER MONTH AND THE BILL WAS COMING IN AT \$200.00 OR MORE PER MONTH. SO, WE'RE GOING BACK OVER ALL OF THAT, WE'RE REVIEWING THE HISTORY OF IT, WE'RE ALLOWING INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE DELINQUENT TO GO AHEAD AND MAKE THAT CHANGE TO BRING THEM UP, SO THEY CAN PAY THOSE BILLS WITHIN SIX MONTHS. AFTER SIX MONTHS WE WILL BE REVIEWING IT AGAIN AS WE MOVE FORWARD, SO WE CAN PUT THE FINANCES OF THE CITY ON THE RIGHT PATH."

MR. GUYRE ADDED THAT HE IS A MULTIPLE PROPERTY OWNER AND GETS A COPY OF THE BILL EVERY MONTH SO HE IS AWARE OF WHAT HIS TENANTS OWE. HE QUESTIONED HOW THE BILLS COULD BE ALLOWED TO GET SO HIGH BECAUSE THE LANDLORDS GET COPIES OF ALL THE BILLS. MOST LEAKS DO NOT GET TO BE \$5000.00 ALSO.

MAYOR NESBY RESPONDED THAT THE QUESTION WAS A GOOD ONE AND SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE PRIOR ADMINISTRATION BECAUSE SHE WASN'T HERE AT THAT POINT AND DOES NOT KNOW WHY THE WATER BILLS WERE ALLOWED TO GET THAT HIGH. WHAT CAN BE DONE NOW IS THE CITY CAN TAKE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS TO FIX IT.

CITY SOLICITOR ADDED THAT AN AMNESTY PROGRAM CAN BE CONSIDERED POTENTIALLY BY ORDINANCE. MR RUSHFORD EXPLAINED THAT IN HIS EXPERIENCE HE HAS NEVER DONE FULL AMNESTY, BUT AT 50%. IT WOULD BE REQUIRED IN THE ORDINANCE THAT THOSE INDIVIDUALS BE CURRENT IN THEIR CURRENT OBLIGATION.

MAYOR NESBY STATED THAT THIS WILL BE SENT TO THE CITY'S UTILITY COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW AT THEIR NEXT MEETING IN JUNE.

DEPT. OF PROPERTIES & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

REV CALDWELL: "I WOULD LIKE COUNCIL TO CONSIDER; NEW LIFE MINISTRIES WOULD LIKE TO SHUT DOWN A PORTION OF FOURTH STREET ON JUNE 10TH FROM APPROXIMATELY 10:00AM TO 4:00PM AND THAT WOULD BE UNDER THE CONSIDERATION AFTER TALKING TO THE PORT AUTHORITY."

A MOTION TO APPROVE WAS MADE BY MR GYURE AND SECONDED BY MS MCDANIEL. CARRIED 5-0.

DEPT. OF STREET & PUBLIC WORKS

MR GYURE:

1. PICKED UP TRASH SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK
2. EMPTIED BARRELS (WEEKLY / BIWEEKLY)
3. SECURED 2 PROPERTIES
4. ASSISTED ON WATER BREAKS
5. USED 4 TONS OF COLD PATCH
6. CUT/WEEDWACKER
7. CUT VACANT LOTS
8. PICKED UP BRANCHES FOR RESIDENTS

MAYOR NESBY INQUIRED IF THERE IS A DATE AND TIME FOR THE MEETING OF THE CITIZENS REVIEW BOARD. AT PRESENT, MR GYURE INFORMED THAT THERE ISN'T A DATE AND WILL HAVE TO DISCUSS WITH THE POLICE CHIEF. MAYOR NESBY INDICATED THAT MR GYURE IS THE CHAIRMAN AND HAS THE ABILITY TO CHOOSE THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE BY REFERRING TO A LIST OF REGISTERED VOTERS PROVIDED, AS WELL AS CHOOSE THE DATE AND TIME OF THE MEETINGS. THE DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE CAN BE USED FOR MEMBERSHIP AS WELL. FOR EVERY

DISTRICT AND EVERY WARD THERE IS A COMMITTEE CHAIR PERSON. MAYOR NESBY REQUESTS THAT THE CHAIRS TO NOT BE ALL 3 WHITE PEOPLE OR ALL 3 BLACK PEOPLE, BUT TO BE EQUALLY INTERTWINED WITH THE COMMUNITY'S PEOPLE'S INPUT. THAT IS WHAT THE GOAL IS, SO THAT CONVERSATION CAN BE OPENED UP AND ISSUES BE ADDRESSED. THE CHIEF OF POLICE WILL BE HAPPY TO CO-CHAIR ALONG WITH MR GYURE. THREE TO FIVE PEOPLE ARE SUGGESTED TO JOIN THIS COMMITTEE. BY NEXT MEETING IN JUNE, THE SECOND REORGANIZATION WILL TAKE PLACE FOR THE CITY OF DUQUESNE. COMMITTEES SHOULD BE UP AND RUNNING WITH THE DATES AND TIMES, BY JUNE 12TH. A REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEES SHOULD BE PRESENTED BY THEN, OTHERWISE IF NO REPORT IS AVAILABLE, DATES AND TIMES FOR THE MEETINGS SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED.

A SECOND INQUIRY FROM MAYOR NESBY WAS IF MR GYURE CONTACTED 'COMPLETE STREETS.' IF NOT, INFORMATION FOR CONTACT PERSON, LINDSEY, WILL BE PROVIDED TO INITIATE THE PROCESS. THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION WILL CONDUCT COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS WHERE RESIDENTS CAN VOICE HOW THEY WOULD LIKE THEIR STREETS TO LOOK. THE COUNTY OFFERS A \$50,000.00 GRANT AND THE MAYOR WOULD LIKE TO OBTAIN THAT.

POLICE REPORT

POLICE CHIEF DUNLEVY: SINCE LAST MEETING, ONE OF THE FOUR APPLICANTS WE PREVIOUSLY HIRED, NICK PROBOLA, DECIDED TO ACCEPT A POSITION AT A DIFFERENT POLICE DEPARTMENT INSTEAD OF OURS. I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A MOTION MADE TO HIRE THE NEXT PERSON ON OUR LIST. HIS NAME IS WILLIAM BARTOLICOIUS. HE IS A VETERAN POLICE OFFICER WITH AN EXPERTISE IN CRIME INVESTIGATION.

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF WILLIAM BARTOLICOIUS TO THE CITY OF DUQUESNE POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS MADE BY REV CALDWELL AND SECONDED BY MR GUYRE. CARRIED 5-0.

MAYOR NESBY: " JUST TO GO OVER WHAT THE CHIEF HAD SAID. I HAD DONE AWAY PRIOR WITH THE CITY ORDINANCE REQUIRING YOU TO BE A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF DUQUESNE IN ORDER TO WORK FOR IT. WE COULDN'T ENFORCE IT ANYWAY BY THE STATE SUPREME COURT. SO, WE DID AWAY WITH THAT ORDINANCE IN AN ATTEMPT TO HIRE MORE POLICE OFFICERS THAT REFLECTED THE COMMUNITY. THERE WERE 33 PEOPLE THAT TOOK THE TEST, 28 THAT PASSED, 23 CAME INTO INTERVIEW FOR THE POSITION. HOWEVER, ONLY 2 WERE AFRICAN AMERICAN AND ONLY 2 OF THEM WERE WOMEN. SO, WE ARE ACTUALLY TRYING TO MAKE AN HONEST EFFORT TO RECRUIT MEMBERS TO REFLECT WHAT THE COMMUNITY

LOOKS LIKE. SO FAR, WE'VE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL. SO, IF YOU KNOW ANYONE, PLEASE SUGGEST TO THEM LAW ENFORCEMENT IS A REALLY NICE CAREER. PROTECT AND SERVE... AND THAT'S WHAT WE NEED, EQUAL REPRESENTATION THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY."

FIRE REPORT

DEPARTMENT CHIEF FRANK COBB: NO REPORT

BUILDING INSPECTOR / CODE ENFORCEMENT ALLAN CHIESI: COMPLAINTS - THERE WERE 9 GARBAGE CALLS, 2 CALLS FOR ABANDONED HOMES, 3 CALLS FOR DEAD ANIMALS, 6 CALLS TO PICK UP DEBRIS, 13 OVERGROWN PROPERTY COMPLAINTS, AND 2 CALLS FOR ILLEGAL VEHICLES. WE ISSUED 9 OCCUPANCY PERMITS FOR THE MONTH THAT BROUGHT IN \$350.00 AND WE ISSUED 4 BUILDING PERMITS FOR THE MONTH THAT BROUGHT IN \$280.00. THE TOTAL IS \$630.00.

CITY MANAGER: "MAYOR AND COUNCIL, ON APRIL 26, 2018 THE CITY PROCESSED A CHECK TO THE MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY OF WEST MORELAND COUNTY FOR \$50,691.98 - ON APRIL 26, 2018 THE CITY PROCESSED A CHECK TO UPMC HEALTH PLAN FOR \$37,669.33 - ON APRIL 27, 2018 THE CITY PROCESSED A CHECK TO DUQUESNE LIGHT COMPANY FOR \$29,213.21 - ON MAY 4, 2018 THE CITY PROCESSED A CHECK FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT FOR \$68,651.70. ALSO, I WANT TO REPORT THAT THE CITY IS CURRENTLY DOING A REVIEW OF ALL THE VENDORS AND OPERATIONS. OUR REVIEW WILL INCLUDE BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO ALL SCOPES OF SERVICES, COST OF SERVICES, AND THE IMPACT ON THE CITY'S RESIDENTS AND SERVICES."

DAVID GILLILAND: NO REPORT.

CONTROLLER'S REPORT: NO REPORT.

TREASURERS REPORT

DAVID J. BIRES: ABSENT. NO REPORT.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

JOHN RUISHFORD: NO REPORT

ACT 47 MICHAEL FOREMAN: NO REPORT.

MAYORS REPORT / NEW BUSINESS

"THE CORPORATE EQUITY AND INCLUSION ROUND TABLE WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 25 WHICH IS A MONDAY. THIS IS FREE IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN ATTENDING. IT BEGINS AT 7:00AM AND ENDS AT 1:00PM".

"THE HEINZ ENDOWMENT HAS AGREED TO COME TO THE CITY OF DUQUESNE AND ACTUALLY DO A TOUR WITH ME THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF DUQUESNE TO GAIN AN ASSESSMENT OF THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY. I AM REALLY HOPING THAT THE FOUNDATION IN THE CITY OF PITTSBURGH WILL INVEST IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE THE SAME WAY THEY DID IN THE THREE H'S. WHICH IS THE HILL, HOMEWOOD, AND HAZELWOOD. SO, I'M TRYING TO GET THEIR ATTENTION. THEY HAVE AGREED TO COME TO THE CITY AND THEY ARE GOING TO RIDE AROUND IN A CAR WITH ME SO THAT I CAN SHOW THEM WHAT OUR CITY LOOKS LIKE FOR POSSIBLE FUNDING. THAT WILL BE ON JUNE 12TH."

"TODAY I WAS CONTACTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY SOUTH CAMPUS, FOR ME TO COME OUT AND WE'LL MEET ON MAY 30TH. AT THAT PARTICULAR POINT IN TIME SHE WANTS TO GO OVER WITH ME ALL THE SERVICES THEY CAN PROVIDE TO THE CITY OF DUQUESNE'S RESIDENTS. I DO INCLUDE AND WILL ALSO GO OVER THIS WITH HER AGAIN. CCAC; I'M AN ALUMNI OF THEM. THEY ACTUALLY GAVE ME AN ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP FOR MY ACCOUNTING DEGREE IN WHICH I GRADUATED WITH A 3.5 GPA OUT OF A 4.0. HOWEVER, I WAS ABLE TO GO TO SCHOOL BECAUSE I HAD TRANSPORTATION. LACK OF TRANSPORTATION IS A BARRIER TO OUR RESIDENTS IN THIS AREA AND THAT WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING AS WELL. BECAUSE AGAIN, IT'S A GREAT OPPORTUNITY. EVEN THROUGH OUR FIRE VEST PROGRAM WITH THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, IF YOUR CHILDREN ARE COMING OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL AND THEY ARE A VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT PARTICIPANT, THEY CAN GO TO CCAC FOR ANYTHING THAT THEY WANT FOR AN ASSOCIATES DEGREE AND IT'S FREE TO THEM. SO, THESE ARE SOME THINGS THAT WE NEED TO GET OUT INTO THE COMMUNITY AND WE'LL TALK ABOUT THAT WHEN WE ARE THERE."

"ALLAN, FROM PUBLIC WORKS, TODAY WAS SENT TO SOME TRAINING. AS A RESULT OF THE TRAINING, WE WILL THEN BE ELIGIBLE FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING, SOME GRANTS IN ORDER TO DO SOME PAVING."

"WE WERE CONTACTED BY TWO DIFFERENT COMPANIES REGARDING MEDICAL MARIJUANA. I DIDN'T DO A SUPPORT LETTER FOR EITHER ONE. IT'S NOT THAT I DIDN'T WANT TO, BECAUSE AGAIN, I DO BELIEVE IT WILL GENERATE MONEY FOR THE COMMUNITY. HOWEVER, NEITHER ONE OF

THEM ADDRESSED SOME OF THE BARRIERS THAT WE HAD HERE IN A NUMERIC AMOUNT THAT I WOULD SEE THE BENEFIT. JOHN GYURE DID COME WITH ME TO ONE OF THE MEETINGS. INITIALLY I DIDN'T MAKE THE MEETING. IT WAS AUSTIN DAVIS, TIM JOYCE FROM SENATOR BREWSTER'S OFFICE, ALONG WITH A GENTLEMAN BY THE NAME OF MARK HOLSMITH WERE TO MEET WITH ME REGARDING THIS ONE MARIJUANA COMPANY. UNFORTUNATLEY I WAS DELAYED BECAUSE I WAS IN ANOTHER MEETING. BUT I DID COME, JOHN GUYRE MET WITH US. AT THAT PARTICULAR TIME HE DID OFFER \$55,000.00 FOR THE CITY. JOHN, REMEMBER? YOU SAID THAT WAS NOT ENOUGH FOR ONE OF OUR POLICE OFFICERS. HE ALSO OFFERED 1% OF EARNINGS. OF COURSE, ME WITH MY BACKGROUND IN MONEY, I SAID TO HIM IS THAT NET OR IS THAT GROSS? HE SAID IT WOULD BE FOR NET EARNINGS. SO, JUST TO GIVE SOME OF YOU THAT DO NOT HAVE A BACKGROUNND IN MATH, NET EARNINGS, THAT MEANS THAT THERE WOULD BE A NET OPERATING LOSS UP TO FIVE YEARS WHILE THEY ARE MAKING A MILLION DOLLARS ON OUR MILLSITE. SO, NO, I DIDN'T DO IT. IN ADDITION TO THAT, WE HAVE TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE IMPACT IT WOULD HAVE ON THE COMMUNITY. 40% OF THE RESIDENTS IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE HAVE A DRUG CONVICTION FELONY. SO, IT'S NOT LIKE THEY ARE GOING TO WORK OVER THERE. SO, I GOT TO TAKE THAT INTO CONSIDERATION. NO ONE \$55,000.00 IS GOING TO MAKE AN IMPACT ON MY COMMUNITY WHEN I HAVE FIVE GENERATIONS OF ILLITERACY IN HERE. I GOT OVER 1/3 OF MY LAND WHICH IS UNDERDEVELOPED. NO ONE WAS TALKING REAL DOLLARS AND CENTS. SO, NO, I DIDN'T DO IT. THE OTHER SECTION WAS I ASKED THE GENTLEMAN WHERE HE HAD ACTUALLY OPERATED AT IN A DIFFERENT POINT IN TIME AND THE PLACE HE GAVE US WAS LAFAYETTE, COLORADO. SO, YOU KNOW I CALLED THERE RIGHT? SO, I WANT TO LET YOU KNOW HE NEVER DID BUSINESS LAFAYETTE, COLORADO. SO, I'M THINKING I MADE A WISE DECISION ON THAT PART. THE OTHER ONE, I REALLY DID LIKE THEM, BUT AGAIN AT THE END OF THE DAY I HAVE TO THINK OF THE NET EARNINGS VERSUS THE GROSS EARNINGS AND THE FACT THIS CAN BE A BILLION DOLLAR INDUSRTY. IF IT DOES, I CAN NOT ONCE AGAIN, NOT MAKE SURE THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF DUQUESNE RECEIVES A PIECE OF THAT PIE. SO, I JUST WANT TO LET YOU GUYS KNOW WHERE THAT STANDS IN CASE YOU HEAR SOMETHING IN THE STREETS. I WANT YOU TO KNOW EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENED AND WHY I TOOK THE ROAD THAT I DID."

"I SUBMITTED A CONCEPT IDEA FOR ALCOA FOUNDATION AND I ASKED FOR 1.5 MILLION DOLLARS. I DON'T KNOW IF THEY'LL GIVE IT TO ME OR NOT, BUT I DID SUBMIT IT. THAT WAS BASED ON THE FACT THAT I FELT WE NEEDED A RECREATION CENTER IN THE AREA. SO, WE'LL SEE WHAT THAT BRINGS TO US."

"IN MAY 2017, I COMPLETED A LETTER OF INQUIRY TO THE POISE FOUNDATION AND RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING RESPONSE WHICH SAYS

THAT THEY'RE ACTUALLY LOOKING AT THE INFORMATION THAT I SUBMITTED TO THEM, WHICH BASICALLY WAS THE STATISTICS OF THE CITY OF DUQUESNE BASED ON THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT THAT I DID DO. THEY ACTUALLY SAID THEY'LL LET US KNOW, THEY'LL KEEP IN TOUCH IN AUGUST OR SEPTEMBER. SO, KEEP YOUR FINGERS CROSSED. THERE WAS NOTHING SPECIFIED ON WHAT WE WANTED TO DO WITH THAT MONEY. THERE WAS NOT A NUMERIC AMOUNT OF THE GRANT. I JUST LET THEM KNOW WHAT OUR NEEDS ARE IN THE COMMUNITY AND ONCE I RECEIVE ANY INFORMATION FROM THEM I WILL BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO LET ANYONE KNOW."

"ON MAY 23RD I WILL BE HAVING A TELECONFERENCE WITH THE CENSUS BUREAU. WHAT I DID WAS I WENT ONLINE, SOMEONE HAS MENTIONED THAT OUR STATISTICS FOR POVERTY WERE 40.2% AND I SAID NO, THEY ARE MUCH HIGHER THAN THAT. WHEN I WENT ON THE WEBSITE I HAD A DISCREPANCY IN WHAT IT HAD ON THERE. IT'S CALLED THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY AND OUR STATISTICS ARE WRONG. IT ALSO STATES THAT 89.3% OF THE RESIDENTS IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE HAVE A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR HIGHER AND THAT'S WRONG. WE GOT FIVE GENERATIONS OF ILLITERACY. WE'RE NOT GOING TO HIGH SCHOOL, SOME OF US ARE GOING TO JAIL, SOME OF US ARE HAVING BABIES, BUT WE'RE SURE NOT GOING TO HIGH SCHOOL AND GRADUATING. SO, I DON'T KNOW WHERE THESE STATISTICS CAME FROM. I CONTACTED ALLEGHENY COUNTY AND THEY HAVE A LINK ONLINE. WHAT I DID FIND IS THAT IN 2015 OUR STATISTICS SHOWED WE HAD 40% OF OUR RESIDENTS ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, IN 2016 WE HAD 45% OF OUR RESIDENTS ON WELFARE, IN 2017 WE HAD 64% OF OUR RESIDENTS ON WELFARE, AND IN 2018 AS OF TODAY WE HAVE 62% OF THE INDIVIDUALS ON WELFARE. SO, THE STATISTICS ARE WRONG. THE CENSUS ACTUALLY IMPACTS HOW MUCH MONEY WE RECEIVE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. I EXPLAINED TO THEM, WHERE DID YOU GET YOUR INFORMATION FROM? THEY SAID SOME OF THE INFORMATION WAS SUBMITTED ONLINE. I EXPLAINED TO THEM OUR POVERTY LEVEL, A LOT OF US DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THE INTERNET INSIDE OUR HOMES. THE SCHOOL'S LIBRARY IS OPEN WHENEVER, I'M REALLY NOT SURE, BUT WITH OUR HIGH ILLITERACY RATE, I CERTAINLY KNOW THAT WE'RE NOT COMPLETEING THOSE THEY SEND IN THE MAIL. AND TOLD THEM THAT I AM SURE YOU ARE NOT SENDING ANYBODY LIKE YOU IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD WHEN YOU WALK PAST A DOOR AND YOUR SMELLING WEED. SOMEDAYS WHEN I GO OUT AFTER 9:00, I HAVE TO THINK DO I NEED MY STRAP OR NOT. SO, I KNOW DEFINITELY WELL YOU'RE NOT SENDING SOMEONE INTO THESE URBAN AREAS TO DO THESE SURVEYS. SO, WE'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT WAYS HOW WE CAN GET THEM OUT AND GET THE CORRECTED INFORMATION, SO WE CAN RECEIVE ADEQUATE FUNDING."

"AFTER MY ARTICLE RAN IN THE PITTSBURGH COURIER ABOUT THE SITUATION IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE, I HAVE BEEN INVITED TO SPEAK ON

A TV SHOW ON THURSDAY MAY 31, 2018 WHERE I WILL BE PUBLICLY ONCE AGAIN DISPLAYING MY OPPOSITION AND WHAT HAS HAPPENED AND TAKEN PLACE IN THE CITY OF DUQUESNE. THE REASON WHY IM DOING THIS IS THE FACT THAT I WANT EVERYONE TO KNOW WHAT TYPE OF DISSERVICE HAS BEEN DONE TO THIS CITY AND IN ORDER FOR ME TO TRY AND REBUILD IT. I WANT EVERYONE TO KNOW WHAT HAPPENED, NOT TO KEEP TOSSING IT UP, BUT TO LET YOU KNOW THAT THIS IS WHAT WE ARE MOVING FORWARD FROM. THIS IS WHAT WE ARE MOVING UP FROM. SO, I JUST WANT TO LET YOU GUYS KNOW THAT I WILL BE ON THERE, AND I WILL BE DISCUSSING THAT AS WELL. THIS TV SHOW WILL BE PITTSBURGH COMMUNITY TELEVISION, PCTV CHANNEL 21. WE CAN HAVE UP TO 25 PEOPLE THERE, SO IF SOME OF YOU HAVE A STORY THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS OR SHARE, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO LET ME KNOW AND I CAN GO AHEAD AND ADD YOU ONTO THE LIST AS WELL".

"CONNECT – CONNECTS YOU WITH YOUR NEIGHBORING COMMUNITY. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A HEALTH WORKING GROUP MEETING WHICH WILL BE ON THURSDAY THE 24TH AND THAT WILL BE OUT IN GREENTREE. I WILL BE THERE, I AM LOBBYING FOR, HOPING FOR, SOMEONE TO GIVE US SOME SORT OF MEDICAL FACILITY IN OUR AREA HERE SINCE WE DO NOT HAVE ONE. WE HAVE CHILDREN WHO ARE BEHIND IN THEIR SHOTS WHEN TRYING TO ATTEND SCHOOL. WE HAVE PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS WITH EVERYONE ELSE, SO WHAT I'M TRYING TO DO IS BRING SOME NOTICE AND ATTENTION HERE, SO CAN ACTUALLY ADDRESS THE DEFICIENCY WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY."

"LAST BUT NOT LEAST OUR JEANNIE DOWDLE HAS SUBMITTED HER REQUEST FOR RETIREMENT. JEANNIE HAS BEEN WITH THE CITY FOR THE LAST 20 YEARS AND HER LAST DAY WILL BE JUNE 20TH OF 2018."

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PREVIOUS BILLS WAS MADE BY JOHN GUYRE AND SECONDED BY JUNE WILSON. CARRIED 5-0.

"REMINDER TOMORROW THAT THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB WILL BE DECORATING OUR PARK OUT HERE FOR MEMORIAL DAY AND IN ADDITION TO THAT EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND. WE WILL ALSO BE PLANTING FLOWERS ON THE CORNER OF FIRST AND GRANT WITH THE DAYCARE. CALVIN LESTER HAS BROUGHT TWO RACKS WHICH ARE BEING STORED IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT RIGHT NOW FOR TOMORROW MORNING AT 9:30AM. IN ADDITION, MR LESTER SAID IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN AND NEEDS VEGETABLES OR IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PLANTING FLOWERS OUTSIDE YOUR HOME, PLEASE LET ME KNOW AND I WILL FORWARD THAT INFORMATION OVER TO HIM AND HE'LL BRING IT OVER."

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CONSIDER A MOTION TO APPROVE \$25.00 PAYMENT FOR TAMMY PRATT WHO IS OUR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR FOR THE GREAR CITY OF DUQUESNE TO ATTEND THE SUBSTANTIAL ESTIMATOR TOOL TRAINING WHICH IS GOING TO BE ON JUNE 13TH OF 2018 GIVEN BY THE PENNSYLVANIA CONSTRUCTION CODE ACADEMY.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JUNE WILSON AND SECONDED BY FAWN MCDANIEL. CARRIED 5-0.

CONSIDER A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE MOVIE NIGHT IN THE GREAT CITY OF DUQUESNE WHICH WILL BEGIN ON JUNE 1ST OF 2018.

MAYOR NESBY: "THAT'S A GRANT THAT I WROTE FOR ALLEGHENY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT WHERE I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A NICE START SO THAT WE CAN GET TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY AND HOPEFULLY OPEN UP A CONVERSATION AND GET AN ASSESSMENT OF SOME MORE NEEDS AND IDEAS OF THE COMMUNITY."

A MOTION MADE TO APPROVE BY JUNE WILSON AND SECONDED BY FAWN MCDANIEL. CARRIED 5-0.

CONSIDER A MOTION TO APPROVE THE GREAT CITY OF DUQUESNE TO HOST A JUNE 7TH, 2018 MEETING OF THE STEEL RIVERS COG RIGHT HERE INSIDE CITY HALL CHAMBERS. DINNER STARTS AT 6:00PM AND THE MEETING STARTS AT 6:30PM.

MOTION MADE TO APPROVE BY FAWN MCDANIEL AND SECONDED BY JUNE WILSON. CARRIED 5-0.

CONSIDER A MOTION TO APPROVE THE ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE PREVENTING PORTABLE BASKETBALL HOOPS ON ANY CITY OWNED PROPERTY.

MAYOR NESBY: "THIS HAPPENED WHEN I CAME BACK FROM VACATION. THERE WAS A BASKETBALL HOOP NAILED TO THE INTERSECTION OF COCHRAN AND CATHERINE STREETS WHERE THERE'S FOUR STOP SIGNS. SO THEREFORE, IT'S A BUSY STREET AND THE CHILDREN WERE ACTUALLY PLAYING RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE STREET WHERE TRAFFIC WAS

BEING STOPPED. IT WAS NAILED TO THE TELEPHONE POLE WHICH SOMEONE CLIMBED UP AND NAILED IT TO IT."

FAWN MCDANIEL: "THAT COMES BACK TO THE RECREATIONAL STUDY THAT I BELIEVE WE NEED TO HAVE DONE BECAUSE THERE IS NOTHING FOR THEM TO DO, SO THEY KIND OF MAKE THINGS UP AS THEY GO."

MAYOR NESBY: "IN CASE YOU ALL DIDN'T HEAR... FAWN BELIEVES THAT, AND I DO AGREE THAT WE NEED TO DO A RECREATION STUDY SO THAT WE CAN DETERMINE WHAT ACTIVITIES AND WHAT ALTERNATIVES WE CAN CREATE WITHIN THE CITY FOR OUR YOUTH. WE'LL SEE IF WE CAN MAKE THAT PART OF OUR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. WE ARE LOOKING TO REDO OUR PLAN IN WHICH IT'S BENEFICIAL TO THE CITY OF DUQUESNE AND NOT THE CITY OF MCKEESPORT LIKE IT WAS IN THE PRIOR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN."

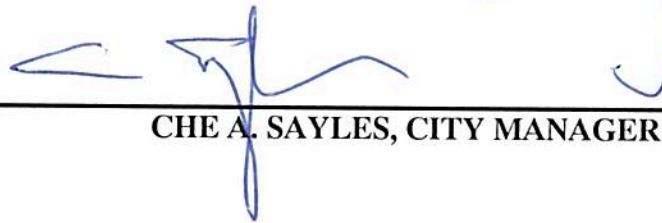
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NICKOLE NESBY, MAYOR



CHE A. SAYLES, CITY MANAGER