

CITY OF DUQUESNE
TUESDAY, November 16, 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 of Minutes/Consent Agenda – September 2021
2. Bill list ending October 2021

Motion to approve the September 2021 Consent Agenda was made by Councilperson Washington and seconded by Councilperson Adams
Motion passed 3/0

PUBLIC SAFETY

1. Not present

PUBLIC WORKS

1. Cleaning trash and leaves and prepping for Christmas decorations to be in place by 11/17/2021
2. Salt trucks are ready for Winter
3. Working on sheds and roof for City Garage
4. Purchased SUV; Transferred truck from Fire Dept.

WATER DEPARTMENT

1. Resolved a drinking water issue on 10/18/2021
2. Working on new water plant and productions
3. Councilperson Adams made the motion and was seconded by Councilperson Washington to NOT renew the water contract in regard to the Circuit Rider Program and use the \$10K elsewhere.
(Motion passed 3/0)

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. Motion was made by Councilperson Adams and seconded by Councilperson Washington to award the waterline replacement project to Jet Jack.
(Motion passed 3/0)
2. Motion was made by Councilperson Washington and seconded by Councilperson Caldwell to ratify CD48 Grant.
(Motion passed 3/0)

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE

1. Not Present

TREASURER

1. Report Attached

CONTROLLER

1. No report

SOLICITOR

1. He agreed not to bill anything in addition to his retainer for the months of November and December.
2. Talked about the property that previously purchased prior to the demolition (116 North 2nd Street)

CITY MANAGER

1. Announcement for funeral services for Former Mayor Achtzehn. Expressed condolences.
2. Sunday 11/28/2021 Community Event – Santa Claus Coming to Town.
3. Rebuilding Together Grant – sets aside money for Duquesne. Home Remodeling company that specializes in assisting Veterans, Seniors, ADA, etc.
4. Councilperson Washington made the motion and was seconded by Councilperson Adams to close 125 South 5th Street – Duquesne, PA. 15110 on December 18th from 10am – 2pm for an annual Turkey/Ham giveaway.
(Motion passed 3/0)

POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. Not Present

ACT 47 COORDINATOR

1. Continue to work on budget preparations through November 30, 2021, and December 21, 2021.
2. DCED looking how best prepare for departure in 2023.
3. Three-year grant of \$250K to allow local gov't to assist with record keeping and ordinance updates and routine HR with developing policies and procedures.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

1. Replaced fire truck with newer used truck with better ladder abilities.
2. Have answered around 380 calls throughout the year.
3. \$8K grant from Thermal Capabilities

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 – Thanks for the participation with the Halloween Celebration in which 178 families participated. We had Santa on a fire truck in lieu of light up night. Please remember to take down swings on playgrounds. Concerned about homes with historical listing title – Glenn Engineering stated they would do additional research to find answers Re: Historical Listings.*
- *AARON ADAMS – thanked citizens for voting him in as new Councilperson.*
- *TOM MOLANICK – thanked City Manager for recognizing former Mayor and thanked PW Dept for clean up efforts.*
- *Notices are needed so people can move their cars for the PW Dept to do more leaf clean up.*
- *City Manager announced that taxes will not be raised in 2022.*

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilperson Washington and seconded by Councilperson Caldwell to adjourn the meeting. (Motion passed 3/0)

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Mayor/Vice-President

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kelly Robertson", written over a horizontal solid line.

City Manager