

**DUQUESNE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
APRIL 11, 2022 MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER The regular meeting for the Duquesne Board of Aldermen was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Bill Sherman.

ROLL CALL Answering Roll Call were Aldermen Jane Baine, Chris Ellsworth, Myra Gonzalez and Becca White. Also in attendance were 13 Guests.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the United States of America was led by Mayor Bill Sherman.

INVOCATION was given by Mayor Bill Sherman.

AGENDA Motion made by Chris Ellsworth, seconded by Jane Baine to approve the amended agenda by striking the closed session and Little Connections from the list of business licenses. Voting in favor were Baine, Ellsworth, Gonzalez and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Rezoning Application: Katherine Street

Opened at 6:04pm

Public Comments: Planning and Zoning preferred not to consider due to the fact that it was a non-conforming lot and the applicant was not present.

Public Hearing closed at 6:06pm

MICHAEL KEATON – STORMWATER ISSUES Mayor Bill Sherman spoke to the Board about a hole that developed on 20th Street. Michael Keaton went on to state to the Board that the culvert was made of clay tile and the water undercut and allowing water to wash out the dirt around the tile. Joplin Special Road District came out to give us a temporary repair. Michael Keaton spoke of two options, one being that the city purchase the pipe and let Joplin Special Road District install and two for Allgeier Martin to do a survey and put it out for bids. Allgeier Martin would state what size of pipe the city needed to get. Alderman Jane Baine stated she wanted this done correctly.

Motion made by Chris Ellsworth, seconded by Myra Gonzalez to authorize the Mayor to approve work on 20th Street, for Allgeier Martin to give recommendations and Joplin Special Road District to do the replacement work. Voting in favor were Baine, Ellsworth, Gonzalez and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

MINUTES FROM 3/14 REGULAR MEETING Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Becca White to approve meeting minutes as presented. Voting in favor were Baine, Ellsworth, Gonzalez and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

MINUTES FROM 3/28 SPECIAL MEETING Motion made by Myra Gonzalez, seconded by Becca White to approve meeting minutes as presented. Voting in favor were Baine, Ellsworth, Gonzalez and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT Approved and filed for Audit

BILL SUMMARY Motion made by Myra Gonzalez, seconded by Becca White to approve the bills as presented. Voting in favor were Baine, Ellsworth, Gonzalez and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

COURT REPORT Board approved report and filed for audit.

POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT Police Report was presented to the Board by Chief Jonathan White. Chief White stated that they had two interviews for police officer positions.

Mayor Bill Sherman appointed Jakob Way as a new police officer with a starting fee of \$20.00 per hour to begin on April 25, 2022.

Motion made by Chris Ellsworth, seconded by Myra Gonzalez to appoint Jakob Way as a new police officer at an hourly rate of \$20.00 per hour beginning on April 25, 2022. Voting in favor were Baine, Ellsworth, and Gonzalez. Nays: None. Motion carried.

BUSINESS LICENSES Motion made by Becca White, seconded by Chris Ellsworth to approve the business licenses as presented with the acceptance of Little Connections. Voting in favor were Baine, Ellsworth, Gonzalez and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

UPDATE ON CITY MATTERS Mayor Bill Sherman stated he is disappointed with the new phone systems. He went on to state that we passed over Scott to go with Pearson-Kelly yet Scott has been called in multiple times to correct the problems. It was suggested that the city needs to state the city's requirements to Pearson-Kelly and let them know that if they don't fulfill those requirements the city will back out of the contract.

Mayor Bill Sherman stated that he has an application for a maintenance worker and plans to schedule an interview and a physical.

ALDERMAN INTERACTION Alderman Chris Ellsworth stated the flag at the roundabout needs to be replaced. Alderman Jane Baine stated that she attended the Planning and Zoning meeting and was wondering if a simple PowerPoint presentation would be of assistance. The mayor stated that he has training webinars available to deal with comprehensive plans.

Alderman Chris Ellsworth stated that we need to find someone to work on the comprehensive plan or at least get on the list.

Mayor Bill Sherman stated that we are currently working on a draft for a Short-term rentals application. He wants the city to get ahead of this now rather than later and we are working on drafting an application and ordinance.

Mayor Bill Sherman stated that we will have a public meeting on April 28th for input for a Storm Water Master Plan from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Mayor Bill Sherman stated that we will be holding a Special Meeting for a Special Use Permit on April 21st starting at 6 p.m. with Planning and Zoning and Board of Alderman at 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS Melissa Caruthers, 3801 E. 16th St. spoke to the Board about the roadway in front of the house. She stated that the driveway was missed during the road repairs and is requesting that something be done.

Rick Gamboa, 4005 E. 20th spoke to the Board stating that a job description needs to be provided for the part-time maintenance worker. He went on to state that the Mayor, the City Clerk and the Board are doing a terrific job.

NEW BUSINESS:

UPDATE ON COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES Rick Gamboa with the Park Committee stated that they have found out that the bid process needs to be as generic as possible with measurements and the top price needs to be included. Mr. Gamboa went on to state that the handicapped spaces are adequate for ADA.

APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS Mayor Bill Sherman appointed Mickey Sherman to the Board of Adjustments for a four year term from 4/11/22 to 4/10/2026.

Motion made by Myra Gonzalez, seconded by Chris Ellsworth to accept the appointment of Mickey Sherman to the Board of Adjustments for a four year term. Voting in favor were Baine, Gonzalez, White and Ellsworth.

RESOLUTION 22-03: ASSIGNING ADDRESS FOR WHOLESALE FISH AND TACKLE Motion by Jane Baine, seconded by Becca White to pass Resolution 22-03 with the amendment of adding the phrase 'adjacent to Bud's Bait at 3328 E. 13th St.. Voting in favor were Baine, White, Gonzalez and Ellsworth. Nays: None. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS DEEMED NECESSARY None

There was no further business, a motion was made by Becca White, seconded by Myra Gonzalez to adjourn the meeting. Voting in favor was Baine, Ellsworth, Gonzalez and White. Nays: None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.