

**DUQUESNE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
JUNE 13, 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, Myra Gonzalez and Becca White. Also in attendance were 9 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 Becca White, seconded by Myra Gonzalez to approve the amended agenda as presented. Voting in favor were Baine, Gonzalez and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Rezoning Application: SE Corner of 7th and Katherine from R-1 to C-2

Opened at 6:03pm

Public Comments: The owner of the property had nothing further to say to the Board. It was reported that the Planning and Zoning approved the rezoning. There was no other opposition.

Public Hearing closed at 6:04pm

MINUTES FROM 5/9 REGULAR MEETING Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Becca White to approve meeting minutes as presented. Voting in favor were Baine, Gonzalez and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT Approved and filed for Audit

BILL SUMMARY Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Myra Gonzalez to approve the bills as presented. Voting in favor were Baine, 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 asked the Board for approval to purchase another camera from Axon so that it could be installed at the same time as the new patrol car camera.

Motion made by Myra Gonzalez, seconded by Jane Baine to approve the purchase of an additional camera.

Chief White then spoke to the Board about the purchase of four new computers and docks for the patrol cars.

Myra Gonzalez withdrew her motion for the purchase of an additional camera and Jane Baine withdrew her second.

Motion made by Myra Gonzalez, seconded by Jane Baine to approve the request to purchase a new camera and purchase of four new car computers with docks. Voting in favor were Baine, Gonzalez and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

BILL 21-04: REZONING SE CORNER OF 7TH AND KATHERINE FROM R-1 TO C-2: Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Becca White, to place Bill 22-04 on first reading by title only.

Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Becca White to place Bill 22-04 on second reading by title only.

Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Becca White, to accept the second and final reading of Bill 22-04 and assign it Ordinance #485. Voting in favor were Baine, White and Gonzalez. Nays: None. Motion carried.

BUSINESS LICENSES Motion made by Becca White, seconded by Myra Gonzalez to approve the business licenses as presented. Voting in favor were Baine, Gonzalez and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Alderman Jane Baine asked if the phone issues have been resolved and she was told that they had been. She then asked if we had heard any more on the reimbursement from Pearson-Kelly and it was reported that we had received a check from Pearson-Kelly for reimbursement for the labor costs that S & S Computers had charged for issues with the new phone system set up.

ALDERMAN INTERACTION Mayor Bill Sherman reported to the Board that the new sewer pump at Creswell had suffered a sheared motor shaft but that it is still under warranty and is in the process of getting replaced once the new one gets in but in the meantime the lift station at Creswell is running on one pump.

Mayor Bill Sherman was asked about the situation with a maintenance person. He reported that the person he had hired had to resign due to personal issues but he has hired a part-time college student as our maintenance person.

Alderman Jane Baine stated that the retention pond was collecting water but did look like it needed to be mowed. Mayor Sherman stated that he had emailed Schuber Mitchell about these issues and they have addressed all the issues that were mentioned in the email.

Alderman Jane Baine asked about all the trashy yards that can be seen around town. Chief White stated that they should be addressed at Court on June 14th.

PUBLIC COMMENTS Gary Heilbrun, 4025 E. 25th St. spoke to the Board stating that he found a small typing error in the minutes that needed to be addressed and he also asked if the two new applicants for the Board or Adjustments were residents of Duquesne.

NEW BUSINESS:

UPDATE ON COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES Rick Gamboa from the Park Committee stated that it was scheduled to dig holes on June 14th to plant the trees. He went on to say that they are looking for volunteers and that the Mayor has already purchased the fertilizer for the trees. City Attorney Mike Talley made mention that the holes can't be dug for the trees and left open without filling them. It was then discussed about hiring someone to dig the holes and plant the trees.

Motion was made by Myra Gonzalez, seconded by Becca White to hire someone to dig the holes and plant the trees not to exceed \$600.

After much discussion it was determined that it would run more than \$600 to have this done. Myra Gonzalez withdrew her motion to hire someone to dig the holes and plant the trees not to exceed \$600. Becca White then withdrew her second.

Motion was made by Myra Gonzalez, seconded by Becca White to hire someone to dig the holes and plant the trees in the park not to exceed \$1000. Voting in favor were Baine, Gonzalez and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Sherman spoke about the four trees that needed to be removed from the park because they could cause a danger issue if left. It was stated that the removal needs to be placed out for bid unless the cost is under \$1500. If the cost should run over \$3000 then it needs to be placed out for competitive bids. Mayor Sherman stated that this will be coming out of the Park fund.

ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION LETTER FROM DONNY ALLEN FROM P&Z and PARK Motion made by Becca White, seconded by Myra Gonzalez to accept the resignation from Planning and Zoning and Park Committee from Donny Allen. Voting in favor were Baine, Gonzalez, and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF JUDY KAY TO BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS COMMITTEE Motion made by Becca White, seconded by Myra Gonzalez to accept the appointment of Judy Kay to the Board of Adjustments.. Voting in favor were Baine, Gonzalez, and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF NANCY LEONARD TO BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS COMMITTEE Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Myra Gonzalez to accept the appointment of Nancy Leonard to the Board of Adjustments.. Voting in favor were Baine, Gonzalez, and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS DEEMED NECESSARY Mayor Bill Sherman stated that he would be out of town at the time the July Board meeting is scheduled so it was decided that the July meeting would be held on July 18th at 6pm.

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, Gonzalez and White. Nays: None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.