

MINUTES
City Council Meeting
City of Butler, Pennsylvania
August 24, 2023

Mayor Dandoy called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Mayor Dandoy and Council members Reese, Shearer, Christy, and Herr were present. The pledge of allegiance to the flag followed an invocation given by Rev. Leigh Benish, Hill United Presbyterian Church.

ACTIONS AT THE FORUM MEETING HELD ON August 10, 2023:

There were no persons to be heard.

Motion by CM Christy to approve action items for the forum meeting. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

Motion by Mayor Dandoy to approve **City Resolution No. 2023-08-10**; a resolution of the City of Butler adopting the final ACT 537 Plan for the PA American Water Acquisition of the BASA System. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING August 24, 2023

PRESENTATION:

Mayor presented a proclamation to proclaim November 1, 2023, as "Extra Mile Day".

Motion by CM Shearer with a second from CM Reese to approve the agenda for the regular meeting of August 24, 2023. All voted aye.

Motion by Mayor Dandoy with a second from CM Herr to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 27, 2023, the special meeting of August 11, 2023, and the special meeting of August 17, 2023. All voted aye.

Motion by Mayor Dandoy with a second from CM Christy to acknowledge receipt of the monthly minutes from RACB, including the CDBG/HOME Program activities. All voted aye.

MONTHLY BOARDS AND AUTHORITIES LIAISON REPORTS

Liaisons gave brief reports from boards and authorities that met in July.

MONTHLY & ANNUAL DEPARTMENT REPORTS

(Note: Department Reports Distributed to Council electronically)

Motion to accept the monthly reports from the Office of the City Clerk, the Police Department, Fire Department, Office of Business & Community Development/Code Enforcement, Department of Public Works and Parking Department for the month of July. Motion by Mayor Dandoy. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

COUNCIL REPORTS/ACTIONS

Councilman Reese

- 1.Motion to accept the bid from **Smith Incredibull Farms** for the 2007 Ford F-550XL truck in the amount of \$7,272.00. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.
- 2.Motion to approve a block party on Alpha Way, from Brown Avenue to Robinson Avenue on Sunday, September 3, 2023 from 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

Councilman Shearer

- 3.Motion to approve the **2024 Minimum Municipal Obligations** for the City's three pension plans as follows: for the Firefighters Pension Plan - \$88,617 and for the Police Pension Plan - \$231,278 and the Officers and Employees Pension Plan – \$-0-. Second by CM Reese. All voted aye.

Councilman Christy

- 4.Motion to approve the promotion of Firefighter Timothy A. Iman to the rank of Lieutenant within the City of Butler Bureau of Fire, effective August 27, 2023. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

Councilman Herr

- 5.Motion to approve an agreement with the **Butler Midget Football League** for the 2023 season. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

Mayor Dandoy

- 6.Motion to approve the General Release and Settlement Agreement between the City of Butler and David O. Adam, as presented by Insurance Counsel. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.
- 7.Motion to approve **City Resolution No. 2023-08-24**; a resolution authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Butler to file an application for HOME funds for affordable housing activities on behalf of the City of Butler with the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Second by CM Reese. All voted aye.
- 8.Motion to approve the conditional hiring of **Daniel A. Decaria** for patrol officer in the City of Butler Bureau of Police. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.
- 9.Motion to approve the conditional hiring of **Benjamin P. W. Drake** for patrol officer in the City of Butler Bureau of Police. Second by Herr. All voted aye.
- 10.Motion to designate Mayor Robert A. Dandoy as the City's Voting Delegate to the 2023 Resolutions Committee and Annual Business Meetings for the 2023 Municipal Leadership Summit scheduled for October 5-8, 2023, in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

11. Motion to approve an agreement with Greater Pittsburgh Community Foodbank for use of the Farmer's Market from 2:30 pm until 7:00 pm on the 4th Tuesday of each month, July, 2023 through June, 2024 for the Walk-up Food Distribution Program. Second by CM Reese. All voted aye.

The City Controller presented bills for payment as follows: from the general fund - \$588,912.56; from the parking fund - \$43,440.28; and from the liquid fuels tax fund - \$19,330.60; for a **grand total of \$651,683.44**. Motion by Mayor Dandoy with second from CM Shearer to approve payment of bills as presented. All voted aye.

August Public Announcement - Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)

As part of an ongoing education plan, we would like to remind local residents that if you plan to drain your pool, only drain it when your test kit does not detect any chlorine levels. Chlorine is considered toxic to fish and aquatic organisms. Whenever possible, drain the pool or spa into the sanitary sewer system. Contact your local municipality if you have any questions regarding how to properly drain your pool or spa.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

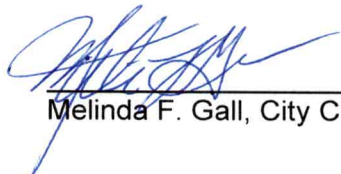
- The City Council meeting scheduled for September 21, 2023 has been changed to September 28, 2023 at 7:00 PM.
- City Council meetings scheduled for October 3, 2023 and October 18, 2023 have been changed to October 12, 2023 and October 26, 2023.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

Ralph Pincek, 211 Lincoln Avenue spoke about Marinaro Park.

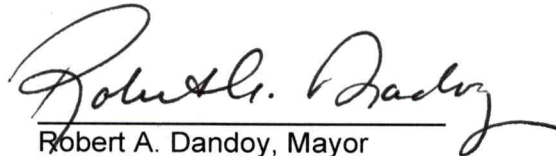
Mayor Dandoy adjourned the meeting at 7:44 PM.

SUBMITTED:

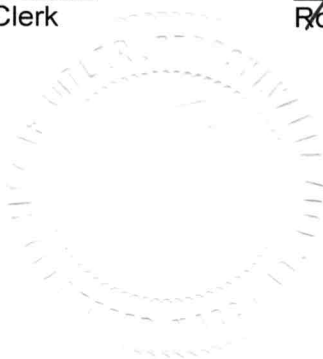


Melinda F. Gall, City Clerk

APPROVED



Robert A. Dandoy, Mayor



RESOLUTION # 2023-08-24

Resolution of the **City of Butler** authorizing the filing of an Application for funds with the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED), Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

WHEREAS, the HOME Applicant is desirous of obtaining funds from DCED for affordable housing activities fundable under Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12701 et. seq and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 92.

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Butler is the administering agency for grant funds on behalf of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a housing need exists that has been identified in the local or state Consolidated Plan and the proposed housing activity addresses this need.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the HOME Applicant has conducted the required citizen participation process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the HOME Applicant will assure the provision of the other necessary funds to make the activity feasible.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the HOME Applicant will reimburse the commonwealth for any expenditures found by DCED to be ineligible.

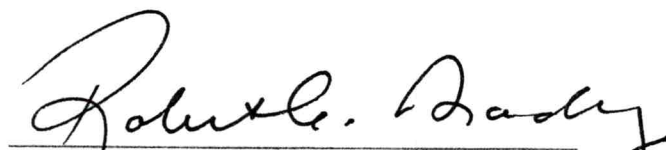
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate officer of the HOME Applicant is directed to execute a certificate attesting to the adoption of this Resolution and to furnish a copy of this Resolution to DCED.

RESOLVED into a Resolution this 24th day of August 2023.

ATTEST:

CITY OF BUTLER


(SEAL)


Robert A Dandoy, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2023-08-24 and dated by the City Council of the City of Butler at its regular meeting.

