

MINUTES
City Council Meeting
City of Butler, Pennsylvania
April 25, 2024

Mayor Dandoy called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Mayor Dandoy and Council members Douthett, Shearer, Christy and Herr were present. The pledge of allegiance to the flag followed an invocation given by Pastor David Janz, First United Methodist Church.

The following actions took place at the Forum Meeting held on April 11, 2024.

Mayor Dandoy called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Mayor Dandoy and Council members Douthett, Shearer, Christy, and Herr were present.

There were no "Persons To Be Heard".

Motion by CM Shearer with a second from CM Christy to approve the agenda of action items for the forum meeting of April 11, 2024. All voted aye.

1. Motion to approve **City Resolution No. 2024-04-11**; a resolution of the City Council of the City of Butler, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, undertaking a project under the Strategic Management Planning Program. Motion by Mayor Dandoy. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

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Motion by CM Shearer with a second from CM Douthett to approve the agenda for the regular meeting of April 25, 2024.

Motion by CM Shearer with a second from CM Douthett to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 21, 2024. All voted aye.

Motion by CM Douthett with a second from CM Shearer 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 April.

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 March. Motion by Mayor Dandoy. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

COUNCIL REPORTS/ACTIONS

Councilman Douthett

1.Motion to accept a proposal from **U.S. Municipal**, in the amount of no more than \$26,977.00 for a plow, spreader and central hydraulics for the 2023 Ford F550 truck to be paid from the Liquid Fuels Tax Revenue Fund. (Costars #025-E22-441). Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

Councilman Shearer

2.Motion for the second reading and adoption of **City Ordinance No. 1821**, an ordinance requiring conditions of residential units be reported to the City of Butler before occupancy other than owners; and providing for reporting and notice requirements prescribing penalties for violations. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

3.Motion to approve a payment in the amount of \$3,133.20 to the County of Butler for debt service for the **Butler County Infrastructure Loan Payment**. (Note: This payment is for the current interest; due May 1st.) Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

4.Motion to approve a proposal submitted by Caruso & Spencer, PC, Certified Public Accountants for monthly auditing services for Fiscal Year 2024 as outlined in their engagement letter of January 2, 2024 and to authorize the City Clerk to sign said letter on behalf of City Council. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

Councilman Christy

5.Motion to direct the City Clerk to advertise for sale one used **2008 Ford Expedition** from the City's Bureau of Fire that is surplus to the needs of the Fire Department. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

Councilman Herr

6.Motion to approve the lease agreement with Butler County YMCA for the use of the Pickle Ball courts 1 - 7 and parking lots adjacent hereto in Ritts Park from June 2024 until September 2024. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

7.Motion to approve the renewal agreement with **2Krew Security & Surveillance** at a monthly cost of \$78.90 for the fire alarm system and the security system in the City Building for a 24-month period. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

8.Motion to approve Shade Tree proposal for the landscaping of area around statue at south end of General Butler bridge. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.

Mayor Dandoy

9.Motion to approve agreement with Butler Downtown to operate the **Farmers' Market** at the Farmers' Market facility from May 18, 2024, until November 30, 2024. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

10.Motion to direct the City Clerk to advertise for sale one used **2009 Chevrolet Impala** from the City's Bureau of Police that is surplus to the needs of the Police Department. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

11.Based on recommendation from his chain of command and satisfactory completion of his probationary period, motion to grant permanent employment status as of March 24, 2024 to **Patrol Officer Benjamin Drake**. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

12.Motion to approve final payment to **A & A Consultants** in the amount of \$1,678.86 for the **Streetscape Grant**. (LIN 18 427 321). Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

13.Motion to approve final payment to **CHD Enterprises, Inc.** in the amount of \$13,758.54 for the **Streetscape Grant**. (LIN 18 427 321). Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

14.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, 2024 through November, 2024 and December 16, 2024, for the Walk-up Food Distribution Program. Second by CM Douthett. All voted aye.

15.Motion to approve closing a portion of Mercer Street for a **Cycling Event**, sponsored by **Can Am Police and Fire Games-Butler 2024**, to be held on Wednesday, July 17, 2024, from 7:30 AM until 9:15 AM. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

The City of Butler consented to the sale of 312-314 Eau Claire Street- 0.40 AC, Butler City, Ward 2, to be sold from the Butler County Repository by the Butler County Tax Claim Bureau to Margaret Smith (tax parcel 562-43-8-0000) in the amount of \$600.00.

The City Treasurer presented a Monthly Intake Report for March 2024.

The City Controller presented bills for payment as follows: from the general fund - \$855,556.88; from the parking fund - \$68,690.26; from the capital projects fund - \$15,437.40; and from the liquid fuels tax fund - \$96,531.78; for a **grand total of \$1,036,216.32**. Motion by Mayor Dandoy with second from CM Shearer to approve payment of bills as presented. All voted aye.

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

As part of an ongoing education plan, we would like to remind local residents that when walking your pet, remember to pick up the waste and dispose of it properly. Flushing pet waste is the best disposal method. Leaving the waste on the ground increases public health risks by allowing harmful bacteria and nutrients to wash into storm drains and eventually into the local streams.

Also, if you plan on washing your vehicle, use a commercial car wash if possible. Car washes are setup to treat or recycle the wastewater. If you want to wash your vehicle, pull the car onto a lawn area to wash it. This way, all of the soap and water will infiltrate into the ground. Try not to wash the car on a paved surface as all the runoff will flow onto the street and into a nearby storm sewer. Soaps, wax and other chemicals used to clean cars are toxic to fish and aquatic organisms.

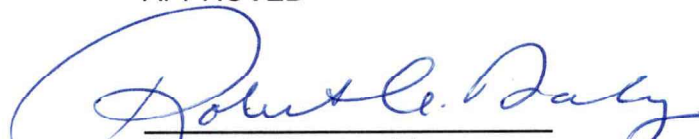
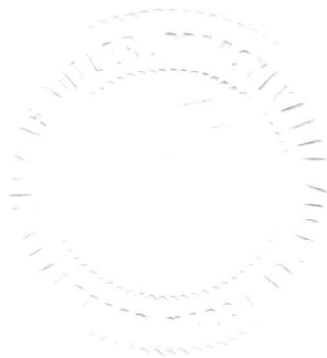
ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Butler Downtown Clean-up Day – Saturday, April 27th from 8am – noon.
- Butler Downtown's Sips in the City – Saturday, May 4th from 1pm – 4pm.

Mayor Dandoy adjourned the meeting at 7:37 PM.

SUBMITTED:

APPROVED


Melinda F. Gall, City Clerk
Robert A. Dandoy, Mayor

RESOLUTION NO. # 2024-04-11

CITY OF BUTLER

BUTLER COUNTY

A RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BUTLER, COUNTY OF BUTLER, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, UNDERTAKING A PROJECT UNDER THE STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT PLANNING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Butler will be undertaking a project under the Strategic Management Planning Program; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Butler wishes to participate in said project; and,

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development makes available grants-in-aid to such projects through the Strategic Management Planning Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that City Council of the City of Butler hereby authorizes Melinda F. Gall to make application for such a grant on our behalf.

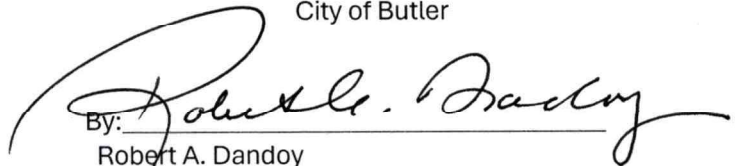
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Council of the City of Butler hereby allocates local resources in the amount of \$10,000.00 to said project.

ATTEST:



Melinda F. Gall
City Clerk

City of Butler


By: _____
Robert A. Dandoy
Mayor