MINUTES

City Council Meeting City of Butler, Pennsylvania June 26, 2025

Mayor Dandoy called the meeting to order at 7:01 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 Rev. Leigh Benish, Hill United Presbyterian Church.

The following actions took place at the Forum Meeting held on June 12, 2025:

Dustin Starr and Sara Reed (Maher Duessel) presented the 2024 Single Audit.

Dan Caponi presented information about the Dollar Energy Fund.

There were no "Persons to be heard".

Motion by CM Shearer to approve the agenda for June 12, 2025. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

1.Motion to enter into a **Memorandum of Understanding with IAFF, Local 114**, establishing the terms to house a dog at the fire station. Motion by Mayor Dandoy. Second by CM Shearer. CM Douthett, CM Shearer, CM Herr and Mayor Dandoy voted aye. CM Christy voted no. Motion passed.

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Motion by CM Shearer with a second from CM Christy to approve the agenda for the regular meeting of June 26, 2025. All voted aye.

Motion by CM Herr with a second from CM Shearer to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 29, 2025. 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 May.

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

COUNCIL REPORTS/ACTIONS

Councilman Douthett

- 1.Motion for the second reading and adoption of **City Ordinance No. 1834**, an ordinance of the City of Butler, Pennsylvania amending the City's traffic control schedules contained in Chapter 245 of the codified ordinances of the City of Butler by making permanent the experimental regulations previously adopted by city council on a 90-day trial basis. Second by CM Shearer. All voted ave.
- 2.Motion to install two road signs "Slow Autistic Child Area" at the intersection of Fourth Avenue and Gibson Street and Fourth Avenue and Pillow Street on a 90-day trial-basis. Second by CM Herr. All voted ave.
- 3.Motion to approve **City Resolution No. 2025-06-26**; a resolution to direct the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Butler to revise the 2022 CDBG program as follows: Decrease the Graffiti Removal line item by \$30,000 and reallocate \$30,000 to the Housing Rehabilitation line item. This Resolution replaces **City Resolution No. 2025-05-29A.** Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.
- 4.Motion to approve payment in the amount of \$112,513.25 (Pay Application #1) to **Shields Paving, Inc**. for Contract #1, curb/sidewalk/ADA Ramps. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.
- 5.Motion to approve payment in the amount of \$528,077.55 (Final Payment) to **Shields Paving, Inc.** for Contract #2, Paving. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.

Councilman Shearer

- 6.Motion to approve an interfund transfer in the amount of \$500,000.00 from the General Fund to **BASA Account for the 2025 Anticipated Tax Revenue** borrowing. (LIN 01 492 098) Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.
- 7. Motion to approve the **Statement of Work** provided by **Neumeric Technologies Corporation**. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.
- 8. Motion to approve the **Mariner Institutional** recommended trades in the City's pension plans. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.
- 9. Motion to approve the updated **Investment Policy Statements** for the City's three pension plans as presented by Mariner Institutional. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.
- 10.Motion to approve the 2026 Property Condition Report Checklist. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

The 2026 budget worksheets will be emailed instead of using budget binders.

Councilman Christy

- 11.Motion to reappoint Brian McCafferty to the **Zoning Hearing Board** for a three-year term ending June 30, 2028. Second by CM Douthett. All voted aye.
- 12.Motion to reappoint Nick Landon, Jill Kraus and Joe Caparosa to the **Planning and Zoning Commission** for a four-year term ending on June 30, 2029. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.
- 13. Motion to reappoint Jim Harpel to the **Code Management Appeals Board** for a five-year term ending on June 30, 2030. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

Councilman Herr

- 14.Motion to approve an interfund transfer in the amount of \$15,000.00 from the **Parks** & **Recreation Fund** to the General Fund for the 2025 summer recreation program. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.
- 15.Motion to enter into an agreement with the **Butler Girls Soccer Boosters** for the rental of the pickleball courts on Saturday June 28th and Sunday June 29th from 8:00 am until 3:00 pm. (Rain dates of July 5 and July 6, 2025). Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.
- 16.Motion to approve the proposal from Bauer Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$33,200.00 for the routine **Sullivan Run Stream Cleaning Project.** Second by CM Douthett. All voted aye.
- 17. Motion to direct the city clerk to advertise for sale the **2006 Kubota Tractor**, **B 7610**, that is surplus to the needs of the parks department. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.
- 18.Motion to approve the quote from **Best Choice Trailers** for the purchase of a 2025 Sure-Trac Utility Landscape Trailer in the amount of \$3,395.00. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.
- 19. Motion to approve the proposal from **2Krew Security & Surveillance** for updating the security system in the city building in the amount of \$5,346.00 with a quarterly fee of \$4.00. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

Mayor Dandoy

- 20.Motion to direct the City Clerk to advertise for sale one used **2014 Ford Explorer** from the City's Bureau of Police that is surplus to the needs of the Police Department. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.
- 21. Motion to approve the conditional hiring of **Tiffany D. Fox** for patrol officer in the City of Butler Bureau of Police. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.
- 22. Motion to approve the conditional hiring of **Ryan K. Johns** for patrol officer in the City of Butler Bureau of Police. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

23. Motion to approve the promotion of **Patrol Officer Nathan Shulik** to the rank of Lieutenant in the Butler Bureau of Police effective June 29, 2025. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

24. Motion to approve the rehiring of **Bryce Foreback** for patrol officer in the City of Butler Bureau of Police. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

25.Motion to approve the promotion of **Lieutenant Brian Grooms** to the rank of Captain in the Butler Bureau of Police effective June 29, 2025. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

26.Motion to approve the employment agreement for the services of **Jason Ross** as the Chief Financial Officer. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Donna Smith and Jack Hutchinson have been reappointed to the **City Shade Tree Commission** for a 3-year term ending June 30, 2028.

Nathan Smith has been appointed to the **Redevelopment Authority of the City of Butler** for a 5-year term ending June 30, 2030.

The City Treasurer presented a Monthly Intake Report for May 2025.

In the absence of The City Controller, the City Clerk presented bills for payment as follows: from the general fund - \$827,862.55; from the capital projects fund - \$669,292.55; from the liquid fuels tax fund - \$24,972.16; and from BASA Proceeds to cover costs in Capital and General Funds - \$6,256.75; for a **grand total of \$1,528,384.01**. Motion by Mayor Dandoy with second from CM Shearer to approve payment of bills as presented. All voted aye.

June Public Announcement – Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)

As part of an ongoing education plan, we would like to remind local residents to properly store pool and spa chemicals, as well as other household and vehicle chemicals to prevent leaks and spills. Please make sure they are in sealed containers that will not rust or leak and try to keep them in a dry place, preferably in covered areas to avoid exposure to stormwater.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- City building will be closed Friday July 4th in observance of Independence Day.
- Fourth of July fireworks will be held on Friday, July 4th at Pullman Park beginning at dusk.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

Frank Kennedy is thankful for the recent paving of Wayne Street and voiced concerns about the area of Hazel and Chestnut Streets as well as various other concerns.

Mayor Dandoy adjourned the meeting at 7:47 PM.

SUBMITTED:

Melinda F. Gall, City Clerk

APPROVED

Robert A. Dandoy, Mayor



RESOLUTION 2025-06-26

CITY OF BUTLER

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Butler has made application and been approved for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Programs, 2022, 2023, and 2024 Entitlements; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Butler has designated the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Butler to act as their agent and to carry out the Community Development Block Grant Programs, 2022, 2023, and 2024 Entitlements; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to revise its grant program by decreasing the Graffiti Removal line item and revising the total to the Housing Rehabilitation line item, and;

WHEREAS, the City wishes to comply with the State regulations governing the use of State Community Development Block Grant funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Butler is so directed to revise the 2022 CDBG program as follows:

2022 CDBG - Revise the following line items as follows:

- 1. Decrease the Graffiti Removal line item by \$30,000; and
- 2. Reallocate \$30,000 to the Housing Rehabilitation line item.

ATTEST:

CITY OF BUTLER

Robert A Dandoy, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution and dated by City Council of the City of Butler at its meeting held on the 26rd day of June 2025.

(SEAL)

Mindy Gall, City Clerk