MINUTES

City Council Meeting City of Butler, Pennsylvania July 24, 2025

Mayor Dandoy called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. Mayor Dandoy and Council members Douthett, Shearer, and Christy were present. Councilman Herr joined via telephone. The pledge of allegiance to the flag followed an invocation given by Reverend Kerry Dowdy, Friendship Presbyterian Church.

The following actions took place at the Forum Meeting held on July 10, 2025:

Mayor Dandoy called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. Mayor Dandoy and Council members Douthett, Shearer, Christy and Herr were present.

There were no "Persons to be heard".

Motion by Mayor Dandoy to approve the agenda for July 10 2025. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

- 1.Motion to approve the Tentative Agreement by and between the City and the **International Association of Firefighters, Local 114**, for the duration effective as of January 1, 2025 and terminating on December 31, 2027. Motion by Mayor Dandoy. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.
- 2.Motion to approve the Investment Policy Statement for the **City of Butler Fidelity Funds** with NexTier/Stratos Wealth Advisors, LLC. Motion by Mayor Dandoy. Second by CM Herr. CM Douthett abstained. CM Shearer, CM Christy, CM Herr and Mayor Dandoy voted aye. Motion passed.

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There were no "Persons to be heard".

Motion by CM Shearer with a second from CM Christy to approve the agenda for the regular meeting of July 24, 2025. All voted aye.

Motion by Mayor Dandoy with a second from CM Shearer to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 26, 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 June.

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

COUNCIL REPORTS/ACTIONS

Councilman Douthett

1.Motion to accept the bid from **Bauer Excavating Inc.** in the amount of \$13,500.00 for the **Center Avenue and Whippo Avenue Sink Hole Project** based upon the recommendation of the City Engineer. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

Councilman Shearer

2. Motion to direct the City Clerk to prepare and release a request for proposals (RFP) for traffic signal repairs for the years 2026 and 2027. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

Councilman Christy

- 3.Motion to direct the City Clerk to prepare and release an RFP for refuse collection for the years 2026 through 2028. (Proposals due NLT Oct. 14th). Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.
- 4.Motion to approve an Amendment to the Service Agreement with **Locality Media Inc.** for subscription renewal of the First Due Record Management System, in the amount of \$10,253.25, effective June 30, 2025. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.

Councilman Herr

- 5.Motion to accept the bid from **Troy J. Construction** in the amount of \$743,683.00 for the **Farmers Market Improvements Project** based on the recommendation of the City Engineer. Second by Mayor Dandoy. CM Douthett, CM Shearer, CM Herr and Mayor Dandoy voted aye. CM Christy voted no.
- 6.Motion to accept the bid from **Hiles Excavating LLC** in the amount of \$654,809.50 for the **City of Butler Parking Lot Improvements Project** based on the recommendation of the City Engineer. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.
- 7.Motion to approve the quote from **Bronder Technical Services**, in the amount of \$21,750.00, for the repairs and pole replacements for two lights at the Butler Farmers Market. (Insurance paid \$11,125.00 for the pole that was damaged.) Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

- 8.Motion to approve the renewal agreement for the Tier Garage fire alarm system from **2Krew Security & Surveillance** in the amount of \$166.35 per quarter. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.
- 9.Motion to accept the bid from John Hoffer, Tri County Excavating in the amount of \$3,500.00 for the **2006 Kubota B7610** mower that is surplus to the needs of the parks department. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

Mayor Dandoy

- 10.Motion to approve the request from Butler Downtown for the closing of Diamond Streets and S. Cedar Street (around Diamond Park) from 8:00 AM until 6:00 PM on December 13, 2025, for the **Butler Downtown Holiday Market.** Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.
- 11.Motion to approve closing Main Street from Wayne Street to Brady Street for the Butler Fall Festival event, sponsored by the **Butler Fall Festival of Butler**, to be held on Saturday, September 27, 2025, from 8:30 AM until 7:30 PM. Second by CM Douthett. CM Shearer abstained. CM Douthett, CM Christy, CM Herr and Mayor Dandoy voted aye.
- 12.Motion to approve **City Resolution No. 2025-07-24**; a resolution in support of the **Community Compact for Children** in Butler Area School District. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.
- 13.Motion to approve **City Resolution No. 2025-07-24A**; a resolution in support of **Economic Development Liquor License** acquisition for the **Chop Shop Restaurant**. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.
- 14.Based upon recommendation from his chain of command and satisfactory completion of his probationary period, motion to grant permanent employment status as of July 21, 2025, to **Patrol Officer Jeremy Hinnebusch**. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.
- 15.Based upon recommendation from his chain of command and satisfactory completion of his probationary period, motion to grant permanent employment status as of July 21, 2025, to **Patrol Officer Brian Johns**. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.
- 16.Motion to approve the purchase and installation of one (1) Rotary Arts and Culture District signage pole in the amount of \$3,500.00 from the Butler AM Rotary Charities, Inc. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.
- 17.Motion to approve the conditional hiring of **Roseanne Hawk** for the position of Public Safety Records Clerk in the Public Safety Building. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.
- 18.Motion to accept the bid from **Keystone Sports Construction** in the amount of \$162,216.88 for the supply and installation of the synthetic turf system at Pullman Park. (COSTARS 14-E23-312). Second by CM Douthett. All voted ave.

The City Treasurer was absent.

In the absence of The City Controller, the City Clerk presented bills for payment as follows: from the general fund - \$1,139,164.81; from the capital projects fund - \$19,153.50; from the liquid fuels tax fund - \$62,309.99; and from BASA Proceeds to cover costs in Capital and General Funds - \$695,801.30; for a **grand total of \$1,916,429.60**. Motion by Mayor Dandoy with second from CM Shearer to approve payment of bills as presented. All voted aye.

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

As part of an ongoing education plan, we would like to remind local residents to collect rainwater from rooftops in mosquito proof rain barrels. The water can then be used later to water lawns and garden areas. Do not brush/sweep dirt, leaves, etc. into any storm drain. The purpose of the storm sewers is to direct stormwater runoff to the local streams. If the system is clogged, then localized flooding may occur during a large rainfall event.

Mayor Dandoy adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM.

SUBMITTED:

Melinda F. Gall, City Clerk

APPROVED

Robert A. Dandoy, Mayor