

MINUTES
City Council Meeting
City of Butler, Pennsylvania
September 25, 2025

Mayor Dandoy called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. Mayor Dandoy and Council members Shearer, Christy and Herr were present. The pledge of allegiance to the flag followed an invocation given by Deacon Mitch Natali, All Saints Parish.

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

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

There were no "Persons to be heard".

Motion by CM Shearer to approve the agenda for September 10, 2025. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

1. Motion to accept the bid from Ringwood Auto, Inc. for the **2014 Ford Explorer** in the amount of \$425.00. Motion by Mayor Dandoy. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

2. Motion to approve the Lease Agreement between the City of Butler and the Butler Area School District regarding the playground at the **Emily Brittain Elementary School** and to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the lease and other documents related to the playground improvement grant. Motion by Mayor Dandoy. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

3. Motion to accept a proposal from **Wiest Asphalt** in the amount of \$10,200.00 for Roosevelt Blvd. Paving. Motion by Mayor Dandoy. Second by CM Douthett. All voted aye.

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PRESENTATION: Nick Yannotty, Breakthrough Butler, presented his review of the summer program for 2025.

There were no "Persons to be heard".

Motion by CM Shearer with a second from CM Herr to approve the agenda for the regular meeting of September 25, 2025. All voted aye.

Motion by Mayor Dandoy with a second from CM Christy to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 28, 2025. All voted aye.

Motion by CM Herr 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 August.

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

COUNCIL REPORTS/ACTIONS

Mayor Dandoy

1. Motion to direct the City Clerk to seek proposals for limestone and asphalt for Fiscal Year 2026 with such proposals due not later than 2:00 PM on November 5, 2025. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.
2. Motion to extend the current agreement with **Bruce-Merrilees Electric Company** for traffic signal repairs for the years 2026 and 2027. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.
3. Motion to approve payment to Bauer Excavating Inc., in the amount of \$13,500.00 for the **Center Avenue/Whippo Avenue Sink Hole Project**. LIN 18 436 436. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.
4. Motion to approve payment to **C.H. & D. Enterprises, Inc.** for application no. 1, in the amount of \$140,077.50 for **South Monroe Street Bridge** repairs. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

Councilman Shearer

5. Motion to approve distribution of **2025 State Aid** for pension plans as follows: to the Firefighters' Pension Plan - \$159,672.47, to the Police Pension Plan - \$270,604.33, and to the Officers & Employees' Pension Plan - \$16,538.15 with the total amount of **2025 State Aid** distributed to pension plans being **\$446,814.95**. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.
6. Motion to approve the **2026 Municipal Benefits Services** renewal for employee health, vision, dental and life insurance. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.
7. Motion to approve the quote from **C. W. Howard Insurance Agency, Inc.** for the renewal of the Law Enforcement Liability Policy for 2025-2026 in the amount of \$60,397.00. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.
8. Motion to approve the **2026 Minimum Municipal Obligations** for the City's three pension plans as follows: for the Firefighters Pension Plan - \$111,402 and for the Police Pension Plan - \$236,235 and the Officers and Employees Pension Plan - \$0-. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.
9. Motion to change the job title of the Code Enforcement Officer (2) to **Residential Building and Plumbing Inspector**. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.

Councilman Christy

10. Motion to review and approve a subdivision and lot line revision as requested by **Butler Little Theater Group** at 414 N. McKean Street and 1 Howard Street. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

Councilman Herr

11. Motion to approve an agreement with Saint Luke Lutheran Church to hold a **Trunk or Treat event** at Father Marinaro Park on October 18, 2025, from 11 AM until 3 PM. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

Mayor Dandoy

12. Motion to approve closing Main Street from West Pearl Street to Wayne Street, for the **Veterans Day Parade**, sponsored by Butler County Veterans Committee, to be held on Tuesday, November 11, 2025, from 10:15 AM until 12:45 PM. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

13. Motion to approve closing Main Street from Penn Street to Wayne Street and intersecting streets from McKean Street to Washington Street, beginning at 4:30 PM for approximately 2-1/2 hours, for the **Spirit of Christmas Parade** sponsored by Butler Radio Network, to be held on Saturday, November 29, 2025. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

14. Motion to approve the temporary closing of N. Washington Street side street entry up W. Penn Street to Miller Avenue to Memorial Park. Also, the intersection of Washington and Penn Streets in front of the YMCA, for the annual **Turkey Trot 5K**, sponsored by Butler YMCA, to be held on Saturday, November 1, 2025, from 8:00 AM until 11:30 AM. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

15. Motion to approve closing East Locust Street at N. McKean Street (behind the Methodist (Global) Church on September 26, 2025, from 3:30 PM until 8:30 PM for **A Taste of McKean** sponsored by Rotary Club of Butler. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

16. Motion to approve an alcohol permit for **"A Taste of McKean"** contingent upon the sponsor filing the proper paperwork and meeting all the requirements from the LCB. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

17. Motion to approve Pennsylvania Heart & Lung Act benefits for **Patrol Officer Brian Johns** beginning on August 21, 2025, for a work-related injury he sustained on August 21, 2025. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

18. Motion to approve the proposal from **Butts Ticket Systems** in the amount of \$140,944.03 for the initial project investment for kiosks (\$130,187.48) and enforcement equipment (\$10,756.55) to be installed in the Diamond Lot, Centre City Garage, Tier Garage, North Main Street lot and the North Street lot. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

19.Motion to approve the proposal from **Butts Ticket Systems** for maintenance, technical support, training sessions, parts repairs or replacements for the equipment in the amount of \$9,816 Year 1; \$20,988 – Year 2; \$22,260 – Year 3; \$21,612 – Year 4 and \$22,932 – Year 5. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

20.Motion to approve the quote from **Eichenlaub Co.** for replacement of the seats at Pullman Park in the amount of \$124,747.00. Costars 014-E23-315. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

The City of Butler consented to the sale of 211 Plum Street,- Ward 1,to be sold from the Butler County Repository by the Butler County Tax Claim Bureau to Joseph and Sharon Hiner (tax parcel 561-28-15A-0000) in the amount of \$1,670.00.

The City of Butler consented to the sale of 109 Glenn Avenue,- Ward 1,to be sold from the Butler County Repository by the Butler County Tax Claim Bureau to Stephen B. and Debra K. Turner (tax parcel 561-29-111-0000) in the amount of \$3,009.08.

The City of Butler consented to the sale of 518 Virginia Avenue,- Ward 3, to be sold from the Butler County Repository by the Butler County Tax Claim Bureau to Carolyn A. Fleming (tax parcel 563-6-52-0000) in the amount of \$1,077.67.

In the absence of The City Controller, CM Shearer presented bills for payment as follows: from the general fund - \$1,042,656.47; from the capital projects fund - \$46,052.25; from the liquid fuels tax fund - \$40,074.79; and from Legacy fund to cover costs in Capital and General Funds - \$399,651.19; for a **grand total of \$1,528,434.70**. Motion by CM Shearer with second from Mayor Dandoy to approve payment of bills as presented. All voted aye.

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

As part of an ongoing education plan, we would like to remind local residents to properly dispose the leaves on your property and not brush/sweep dirt, leaves, etc. into any storm drain or onto any street.

Either place the leaves and dirt on a compost pile or contact your local municipality for "leaf collection" days or to see what programs your municipality offers for the disposal of yard waste. Remember, the purpose of the storm sewers is to direct stormwater runoff to the local streams. If the system is clogged from garbage, yard waste and dirt, then flooding may occur during a large rainfall event.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Trick or Treat will be held on Friday, October 31st from 6 PM to 7 PM.

MAYORAL PROCLAMATIONS:

- National Business Women's Week – Oct 19-23, 2025
- Mental Illness Awareness Week – Oct 6-12, 2025
- National See Tracks? Think Train Week – Sept 14-21, 2025
- Extra Mile Day - Nov 1, 2025

Mayor Dandoy adjourned the meeting at 7:49 PM.

SUBMITTED:



Melinda F. Gall, City Clerk

APPROVED



Robert A. Dandoy, Mayor

