

MINUTES
City Council Meeting
City of Butler, Pennsylvania
February 26, 2026

Mayor Dandoy called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Mayor Dandoy and Council members Douthett, Quebedeaux, Painter, and Herr were present. The pledge of allegiance to the flag followed an invocation given by Father David Hicks, St. Peter's Anglican Church.

Immediately following the pledge of allegiance to the flag, a Police Pinning Ceremony was held for Patrol Officer Ryan Johns, Patrol Officer Tiffany Fox and Patrol Officer John McFadden.

The following actions took place at the Forum Meeting held on February 12, 2026:

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

There were no "Persons to be heard".

Mayor Dandoy recessed the meeting at 7:38 PM for an executive session to discuss labor issues. Mayor Dandoy reconvened the meeting at 7:55 PM.

Motion by CW Quebedeaux to approve the agenda for February 12, 2026. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

1. Motion to approve the **Settlement Agreement and General Release** between the City of Butler and Butler City Fire Department and Donald P. Crawford. Motion by Mayor Dandoy. Second by CW Quebedeaux. All voted aye.

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Motion by Mayor Dandoy to approve the agenda. Second by CM Painter. All voted aye.

Motion by Mayor Dandoy with a second from CW Quebedeaux to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 29, 2026. All voted aye.

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

MONTHLY BOARDS AND AUTHORITIES LIAISON REPORTS

There were no reports from boards and authorities.

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 January. Motion by Mayor Dandoy. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

COUNCIL REPORTS/ACTIONS

Councilman Douthett

- 1.Motion to participate in the **DGS (Costars) sodium chloride (road salt) contract** for the approaching August 2026- July 2027 season. Second by CM Painter. All voted aye.
- 2.Motion to accept the proposal from **ArchKey Solutions** for the installation of 2 EA new matrix radars at Main Street and Brugh Avenue in the amount of \$17,972.00. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

Councilwoman Quebedeaux

- 3.Motion to accept a **Fire Company and Emergency Medical Services** grant in the amount of \$15,930.44 from the Office of the State Fire Commissioner and execute the required grant agreement. Second by CM Douthett. All voted aye.
- 4.Motion to sell two (2) used truck tires to **Herman Volunteer Fire Company** for \$300.00 that are surplus to the needs of the Bureau of Fire. Second by CM Douthett. All voted aye.

Councilman Painter

- 5.Motion to approve a proposal submitted by **Caruso & Spencer, PC, Certified Public Accountants** for monthly auditing services for Fiscal Year 2026 as outlined in their engagement letter of January 5, 2026, and to authorize the City Clerk to sign said letter on behalf of City Council. Second CW Quebedeaux. All voted aye.
- 6.Motion to approve payment to **Mitchell Insurance** in the amount of \$1,162.00 for the City's share of Butler County Treasurer Diane Marburger's surety bond (County is collecting City Real Estate taxes in 2026). Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

Councilman Herr

- 7.Motion to award the **Centre City Garage Repairs Project** to C.H.&D. Enterprises, Inc in the amount of \$47,888.00. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.
- 8.Motion to approve the purchase of one **Kubota Z781KWi-60** zero turn mower from **M & R Power Equipment** (Sourcewell contract) in the amount of \$12,868.72 for use in the Parks Department. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.

9. Motion to approve the donation of one **2021 Kubota Z422KWi-60** zero turn mower to Pullman Ballpark. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.

10. Motion to accept the proposal from **Throwers Home Improvement & Service**, in the amount of \$3,955.00 for the interior painting of the offices located on the third floor of the City Building. Second by CW Quebedeaux. All voted aye.

11. Motion to enter into an agreement with **Cintas** for floor mats and floor mat maintenance in the city building. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.

Mayor Dandoy

12. Motion to readopt the **Residential Anti-Displacement, Acquisition, Demolition and Relocation Assistance Plan** applicable to the Community Development Block Grant program. Second by CW Quebedeaux. All voted aye.

13. Motion to reapprove the **Citizen Participation Plan and Form**; the **Citizen Complaint/Grievance Process**; and the **Minority and Women's Business Enterprise Action Plan** for the City of Butler and Redevelopment Authority of the City of Butler Community Development Block Grant/Home Programs. Second by CW Quebedeaux. All voted aye.

14. Motion to reapprove the updated City of Butler **Section 504 Grievance Procedure** and forms. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

15. 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 26, 2026, from 7:30 AM until 7:30 PM. Second by CM Douthett. All voted aye.

16. Motion to permit Butler Downtown to reserve the North Main Street Parking lot on the following Fridays in 2026; May 15th; June 19th, July 17th, and August 21st for the **Foodie Friday Events**. Second by CM Douthett. All voted aye.

17. Motion to close Cedar Street between E. Brady Street and E. Locust Street, and to close E. Locust Street between N. Main Street and Cedar Street for **Foodie Fridays**. Second by CM Douthett. All voted aye.

18. Motion to approve the request from Butler Downtown to use the parking spaces for **Foodie Fridays** on the east side of N. Main Street between E. Brady Street and E. North Street for the use of food trucks. Second by CM Douthett. All voted aye.

19. Motion to approve the request from Butler Downtown to hold the **4th Annual Sips in the City** for 2026 on Saturday, May 2, 2026. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

20. Motion to approve the request from **Rotary Club of Butler/Butler Rotary Foundation**, to close the North Street parking lot July 10-11, 2026 and to close North Street from Washington Street to McKean Street July 10, 2026 at 10:00 AM through 11:00 PM on July 11, 2026; to close Main Street from Jefferson Street to Brady Street July 11, 2026 from 8:30 AM until 6:00 PM and to close Locust Street from Washington Street to McKean Street on Friday, July 10, 2026, from 5:00 PM until 6:00 PM on July 11, 2026 for the **Steeple and Stacks Heritage Weekend** event. Second by CW Quebedeaux. All voted aye.

21. Motion to approve an agreement with CCR for use of the Farmers Market on Friday, October 9, 2026, for the **Bundle Up Butler (BUB)** event. Second by CM Painter. All voted aye.

22. Motion to approve the Application for Payment No. 1 and final in the amount of \$187,938.18 to **Grossman Construction** for the **Diamond Street Parking Lot Retaining Wall Repairs** project. Second by CM Herr. All voted aye.

23. Motion to approve the change order in the amount of \$12,430.00 for the **Farmers Market Improvement Project**. Second by CM Douthett. All voted aye.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

- Anthony Closkey voiced concerns about what information would be kept in the database of "Landlord Occupancy" and landlords retrieving prior tenant information.

24. Motion to add a "Landlord Occupancy" section to the new website at a cost of \$11,500.00. Second by CM Douthett. CM Douthett, CM Painter, CM Herr and Mayor Dandoy voted aye. CW Quebedeaux voted no.

25. Motion to approve closing Main Street from West Pearl Street to Wayne Street, East and West Jefferson, East and West Cunningham, East and West Diamond Streets and City lots for the **Bantam Jeep Heritage Festival** event, sponsored by Friends of the Bantam Jeep Association, to be held on Friday, June 12, 2026, from 3:30 PM until 10:30 PM. Second by CM Douthett. All voted aye.

26. Motion to approve agreement with Butler Downtown to operate the **Farmers' Market** at the Farmers' Market facility from May 16, 2026, until November 28, 2026. Second by CM Painter. All voted aye.

27. Motion to approve payment to **C. H. & D. Enterprises, Inc.** in the amount of \$7,372.50 for the **South Monroe Street Bridge Repairs** project. Second by CM Douthett. All voted aye.

28. Motion for the introduction and first reading of **City Ordinance No. 1840**; an ordinance of the City of Butler amending Part Two, Chapter 57 (Police Pension Plan) of the codified ordinances of the City of Butler to incorporate plan changes resulting from collective bargaining negotiations during fiscal year 2025. Second by CW Quebedeaux. All voted aye.

The City Treasurer presented the intake for January 2026.

The City Controller presented bills for payment as follows: from the General fund - \$1,043,731.18; from the Capital Projects fund - \$446,450.68; from the Liquid Fuels Tax fund - \$0; and from Legacy fund to cover costs in Capital and General Funds - \$2,045,624.04; for a **grand total of \$3,535,805.90**. Motion by Mayor Dandoy with second from CM Painter to approve payment of bills as presented. All voted aye.

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

As part of an ongoing education plan, we would like to remind local residents to follow the manufacturer's recommendations for salting driveways and sidewalks. If too much salt is applied, it will runoff into the storm sewer system and impact our local waterways. Please keep the de-icing materials away from landscaping and keep it isolated to the walkway or driveway.

Also, if you change the fluids in your automobile, please recycle the used oil and other automotive fluids at participating service stations. Do not dump these chemicals down the storm drains or dispose of them in the trash. If you want to temporarily store any of these chemicals on your property, just make sure that they are in sealed containers that will not rust or leak and try to keep them in a dry place.

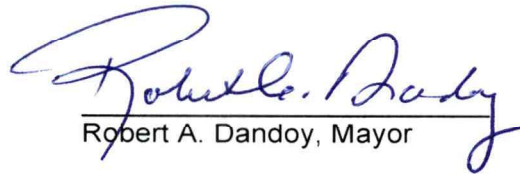
Mayor Dandoy adjourned the meeting at 8:16 PM.

SUBMITTED:

APPROVED



Melinda F. Gall, City Clerk



Robert A. Dandoy, Mayor

