

MINUTES
City Council Meeting
City of Butler, Pennsylvania
January 27, 2022

Mayor Dandoy called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Mayor Dandoy and Council members Shearer, and Christy were present. Councilman Walter joined via telephone. The pledge of allegiance to the flag followed an invocation given by Father Dan Waruszewski, All Saints Parish.

Motion by Mayor Dandoy with a second from CM Christy to approve the agenda for the regular meeting of January 27, 2022. All voted aye.

Motion by Mayor Dandoy with a second from CM Shearer to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of December 21, 2021, and Special meeting of January 3, 2022. All voted aye.

Motion by Mayor Dandoy 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 & ANNUAL DEPARTMENT REPORTS

(Note: Department Reports Distributed to Council electronically)

Motion to accept the monthly and annual 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 December. Motion by Mayor Dandoy. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

COUNCIL REPORTS/ACTIONS

Councilman Walter

1.Motion to approve a request by Arris Construction for a refund of a building permit fee in the amount of \$630.50 for permit # 12409 issued on 10/5/2021 to Joseph and Jacquelyn Gray. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

2.Motion to direct the City Clerk to advertise an RFP for a small borrowing loan of \$409,600.00 for a police vehicle, a parks department truck, repairs to the streets department garage and street paving. The loan is to be payable over a term of two (2) years. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

Councilman Shearer

3.Motion for the second reading and adoption of **City Ordinance No. 1808**, an ordinance of the City of Butler amending Ordinance No. 1641, to add PA Skill Games. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.

4.Motion for the second reading and adoption of **City Ordinance No. 1809**, an ordinance of the City of Butler amending Chapter 232; streets and sidewalks; Article VII; Street use permits for parades and special events; Section 232-45. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.

5.Motion to award the construction inspection staffing to A & A Consultants at an hourly rate of \$29.85 per hour, for the **Butler Main Street Streetscape Phase 3 (SMART Grant)**. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.

Councilman Christy

6.Motion to reappoint Michael Preston to the **Butler Code Management Appeals Board** for a 5-year term expiring June 2026. Second by CM Walter. All voted aye.

7.Motion to appoint Joe Caparosa to the **Planning & Zoning Commission** for a 4-year term expiring June 2025. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

8.Motion to appoint Jill Kraus to the **Planning & Zoning Commission** for a 4-year term which expires June 2025. Second by Mayor Dandoy. All voted aye.

Mayor Dandoy

9.Motion to accept the resignation of Larry Christy from the **Butler Code Management Appeals Board**. Second by CM Shearer. CM Walter, CM Shearer and Mayor Dandoy voted aye. CM Christy abstained. Motion passed.

10.Motion to approve **City Resolution No. 2022-01-27**; a resolution of the City of Butler appointing Aaron Bonus and Sharon Snyder as authorized representatives to make requests upon and receive any and all tax information and records from Berkheimer, relative to the collection of taxes for the Taxing Authorities within the Butler County Tax Collection District, as directed and deemed necessary, to be used for official purposes only. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

11.Motion to enter into an agreement with **Berkheimer** for the collection of "**Per Capita Tax**" for the period beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2024. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

12.Motion to approve **City Resolution No. 2022-01-27A**; a resolution of the governing board of the City of Butler, Butler County, Pennsylvania, authorizing, empowering and directing the proper officers of the governing board to appoint **Berkheimer** as its Tax Hearing Officer under and pursuant to the local taxpayers bill of rights for the express purpose of adjudicating appeals thereunder. Second by CM Walter. All voted aye.

13.Motion to approve **City Resolution No. 2022-01-27B**; a resolution of the governing board of City of Butler, Butler County, Pennsylvania, authorizing and empowering its local tax collector, **Berkheimer**, to impose and retain costs of collection on delinquent taxes. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

14.Motion to approve the agreement with **County Festivals, LLC** to close Main Street from Brady Street to Diamond Street for the **Butler Italian Festival** event, sponsored by County Festivals, beginning at 5:00 PM, August 26, 2022, and ending at 6:00 PM, August 28, 2022. Second by CM Christy. All voted aye.

15. Motion to approve the Confidentially Agreement between the City of Butler, Butler Township, the Butler Area Sewer Authority and Pennsylvania-American Water Company, as submitted by the Solicitor. Second by CM Shearer. All voted aye.

The City Treasurer presented a Monthly Intake Report for December 2021.

The City Controller presented bills for payment as follows: from the general fund - \$509,177.36; from the parking fund - \$47,565.02; from capital projects fund - \$2,770.75 and from the liquid fuels tax fund - \$15,294.77; for a **grand total of \$810,334.90**. Motion by Mayor Dandoy with second from CM Shearer to approve payment of bills as presented. All voted aye.

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

As part of an ongoing education plan, we would like to ensure that local residents are aware of the two types of systems that are within Butler City and the other local municipalities. The one system is the sanitary sewer system, in which toilets, sinks and garbage disposals are all connected and flow into a treatment facility that removes all of the contaminants and then discharges clean water into a local waterway. The storm sewer system is made up of catch basins that are usually placed along curbs in streets and parking lots and direct stormwater runoff through a series of pipes directly into the local waterway. Please be aware that there is no treatment for stormwater, so do not dump anything into the storm sewer catch basins. If you are unsure about the proper disposal of any type of waste material, please contact your local municipality.

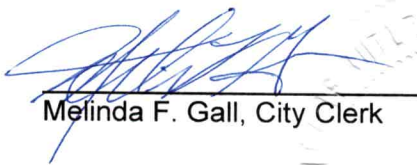
• ANNOUNCEMENTS

- First Responder Light Up Night – Saturday, January 29th
- Businesses are reminded that the sidewalks are the property owner's responsibility. Please keep them shoveled and also please try to keep the street meters cleared of snow.
- City Council is looking for someone interested in filling the seat of City Council for a period of two years until the next municipal election. Preference is a candidate with a financial background. All letters of interest should be addressed to the attention of Mayor Dandoy and either mailed or delivered to the city building by noon on February 1, 2022.

Mayor Dandoy adjourned the meeting at 7:36 PM.

SUBMITTED:

APPROVED


Melinda F. Gall, City Clerk


Robert A. Dandoy, Mayor