

**DUQUESNE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
JUNE 8, 2026 – REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Call to Order: The regular meeting for the Duquesne Board of Aldermen was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Bill Sherman.

Roll Call: Answer roll call was Aldermen Jane Baine, Myra Gonzalez, Becca White, Todd Stone and Mayor Bill Sherman. Absent: none. City Attorney Mike Talley, Chief White, city clerk and 5 guests were also present.

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation: The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America was led by Mayor Bill Sherman followed by invocation prayer given by Mayor Bill Sherman.

Agenda: Motion made by Todd, seconded by Becca, to approve agenda. Yea: Baine, Gonzalez, White, Stone. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Public Hearing to Rezone 1501 S Duquesne Road from R-1 to C-2: At 6:01 hearing was opened. Rezoning would follow Comprehensive Plan and give more options to land use by city. As there was no comment, at 6:02 hearing closed.

Public Hearing to Add New Chapter Signs: At 6:03 hearing was opened. P&Z recommended approval of new chapter. As there was no comment, at 6:04 hearing closed.

Approve Minutes: May 11 Regular Meeting: Motion made by Jane, seconded by Myra, to approve minutes. Yea: Baine, Gonzalez, White, Stone. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Report received and filed for audit.

Bill Summary: Outstanding bills for General Funds: \$44,295.44; Memorial Park: \$2,856.72; Sewer & Wastewater: \$232.59 and Storm/Water Park Fund: \$16,192.00. Storm/Water Park Fund was for final payment to ATS for Stephens Boulevard project. Power Play was to replace splashpad mother board that was due to lightning strike and would not be covered by warranty. Motion made by Todd, seconded by Myra, to accept Bill Summary and pay outstanding bills. Yea: Baine, Gonzalez, White, Stone. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Court Report: Report received and filed for audit.

Police Report: Chief gave report on department status. Department was having problems accessing Microsoft 360 applications. Department did not have subscription. S&S Computers will be notified of problem. Chief submitted quote from TEC (Total Electronics Contracting) for cameras: one above park restroom entrance with 180° viewing area and one to upgrade camera in court room to be compatible with new system. Total quote was \$3,525.00 but would be billed separately for each location. Motion made by Jane, seconded by Myra, to approve purchase and installation of cameras.

Bill 26-05 Agreement: Rezone 1501 S Duquesne Road from R-1 to C-2: Originally, Mayor had requested storage container for street signs, tools, etc. and zoning needed to be changed to accommodate request. Mayor had since withdrawn request for container. Motion made by Jane,

seconded by Becca, to place Bill 26-05 on first reading by title only. Bill was read by title only. No discussion was needed.

Motion made by Jane, seconded by Becca, to accept the first reading of Bill 26-05 by title only and move to second and final reading of Bill 26-05 by title only. Bill was read by title only.

Motion made by Jane, seconded by Becca, to accept the second and final reading by title only of Bill 26-05 and assign it Ordinance #563. Yea: Baine, Gonzalez, White, Stone. Nay: none.

Bill 26-06 Amend City Code to Add New Chapter 412: Signs: After months of discussions by P&Z during its Work Sessions, P&Z recommended ordinance. Becca thought ordinance was too cumbersome and hard to understand. Motion made by Becca, seconded by Myra, to send bill pack to P&Z for further discussion. Yea: Gonzalez, White, Stone. Abstain: Baine. Motion carried. City attorney stated if items were removed, new public hearings would not be necessary.

Business License: Motion made by Jane, seconded by Todd, to approve renewal and new license applications as listed. Yea: Baine, Gonzalez, White, Stone. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Old Business: Update on Memorial Park: RE Smith submitted Draw 6 and Draw 7 (final) and had been notified penalty for failure to complete project totaled \$28,500 (\$500 per day over project deadline). Project contract said it would be completed by March 1. Weather allowances extended completion date to March 31. Fixture installation, painting and sod placement was not done until April. Keys to restroom were not received until May 27. No response from Darian (RE Smith) prior to meeting.

Aldermen Interaction: Myra requested faded city hall flag be replaced and roundabout weeds be sprayed before to July 4. OWN Engineering was still reviewing 1808 S Duquesne project. Bill and Jane attended MoDOT public hearing. It was currently surveying surrounding highways to evaluate highways to see how to best serve needs of area.

Public Comments: Kerry Divine, 314 Morgan Court, suggested Board advertise for bids 4 times, like some other cities do. Last bid request (repair to city parking lot) was advertised once on April 1 with bids due by April 10, which included two weekends. She also expressed concern about over-sized buildings and SOP not being followed.

Caleb Lewis, 4422 University Circle, (member of P&Z) explained that P&Z had worked for months drafting ordinance using Ste. Genevieve's ordinance as template and to customize it down to meet city's needs. Becca asked to be notified of P&Z meetings including copies of agenda items and minutes. She said she would attend P&Z's next meeting to address her questions and concern about proposed ordinance. Clerk will notify P&Z Chairman Donnie Greenlee to add Council members to notification list.

New Business: Ozark Crane – Parking Expansion Site Plan for 2121 Stephens Boulevard: They have requested extension of current parking lot. P&Z recommended Board approve request and revise code to add chip & seal as option to paving requirements. Parking area is for heavy equipment parking and not open to public use. They were requesting gravel extension for already graveled lot. Based on hardship allowed by code, motion made by Todd, seconded by Jane, to grant variance to allow expansion by graveled. Yea: Jane, Todd. Nay: Becca, Myra. Becca and Myra wanted code changed first. Mayor voted yea to break tie. Motion carried.

Dat Chicken – Warehouse Site Plan for 3924 E 7th Street: Wayne Stevenson from GB Engineering was present to answer any questions. P&Z recommended approval of 4,800 sq/ft site plan, pending approval of stormwater review. Motion made by Todd, seconded by Jane, to approve preliminary site plan with final approval subject to stormwater review. Yea: Baine, Gonzalez, White, Stone. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Update of Commissions & Committees: P&Z scheduled next meeting for July 6 Regular Meeting only at 6PM.

Other Business Deemed Necessary: none.

Schedule Next Meeting: Council Meeting scheduled for July 13 at 6 PM.

As there was no further business, motion made by Myra, seconded by Todd, to adjourn. Yea: Baine, Gonzalez, White, Stone. Nay: none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.