

**DUQUESNE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
JULY 13, 2020 MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER The regular meeting for the Duquesne Board of Aldermen was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Gary Heilbrun.

ROLL CALL Answering Roll Call were Aldermen Jane Baine, Becca White, Adam Hogan, Chris Ellsworth and Mayor Gary Heilbrun. Also in attendance was City Attorney Mike Talley and 8 Guests.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the United States of America was led by Mayor Gary Heilbrun.

INVOCATION was read by City Clerk Melody Cundiff.

Mayor Gary Heilbrun gave notice of the possibility that he may not be finishing his full term as Mayor, more likely than not.

AGENDA Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Becca White to approve the agenda as presented. Voting in favor were Baine, White, Hogan and Ellsworth. Nays: None. Motion carried.

MINUTES Motion made by Adam Hogan, seconded by Jane Baine to approve the June 17, 2020 regular meeting minutes as presented. Voting in favor were Baine, White, Hogan and Ellsworth. Nays: None. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT Approved and filed for Audit

BILL SUMMARY Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Chris Ellsworth to approve payment of the bills as presented. Voting in favor were Baine, White, Hogan and Ellsworth. Nays: None. Motion carried.

COURT REPORT: June Court Report was presented. Board approved report and filed for audit.

POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT Police Chief Kitch spoke to the Board.

BILL 20-23: Amending Title 1 Chapter 123: Municipal Court – Show Me Courts:

Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Adam Hogan, to place Bill 20-23 on first reading by title only.

Alderman Jane Baine asked how this \$7.00 fee would be handled. Court Clerk Janet Stemm explained that the person would be charged \$32.50 instead of \$25.50 for court cost and that additional \$7.00 would then be sent to the state. This is a mandated fee and it will go into effect when the court begins using the Show Me Courts program.

Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Adam Hogan to place Bill 20-23 on second reading by title only.

Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Becca White, to accept the second and final reading of Bill 20-23 and assign Ordinance #435. Voting in favor were Baine, White, Ellsworth and Hogan. Nays: None. Motion carried.

BILL 20-24: Amending Title III Traffic Code Schedule I Speed Limits:

Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Adam Hogan, to place Bill 20-24 on first reading by title only.

Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Adam Hogan to place Bill 20-24 on second reading by title only.

Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Becca White, to accept the second and final reading of Bill 20-24 and assign Ordinance #436. Voting in favor were Baine, White, Ellsworth and Hogan. Nays: None. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS LICENSES: Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Becca White to approve the new business licenses as presented. Voting in favor were Baine, White, Hogan and Ellsworth. Nays: None. Motion carried.

BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWALS Motion made by Becca White, seconded by Adam Hogan to approve the Business License Renewals as presented. Voting in favor were Baine, White, Hogan and Ellsworth. Nays: None. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

UPDATE OF CITY MATTERS It was brought up about extending the city's State of Emergency. Alderman Chris Ellsworth suggested extending it another 30 days. Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Chris Ellsworth to extend the city's State of Emergency until August 17, 2020. Voting in favor were Baine, White, Hogan and Ellsworth. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ALDERMAN INTERACTION Alderman Chris Ellsworth asked the Board to authorize the purchase and installation of a new toilet in the police department. Motion made by Chris Ellsworth, seconded by Adam Hogan to allow the police department to purchase and have installed a new toilet in their department bathroom. Voting in favor were Baine, White, Hogan and Ellsworth. Nays: None. Motion carried.

UPDATE FROM SPIRE: Ryan Conley from Spire sent a message to the city clerk, Melody Cundiff who read the message to the Board. It stated 'To give you an idea of where we are with the project, we are in the final stages! They should be killing the last bit of the old main today. I know we have tons of cleanup to take care of and every bit of it will be taken care of'.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Kerry Devine, 314 Morgan Court wanted to make a comment to the Board stating the Duquesne Police Chief is appreciated and she wanted to let the Board know that because it is not heard enough.

UPDATE OF COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES Alderman Chris Ellsworth told the Board that the P & Z Commission had no regular meeting in the month of July but had a work session working on the comprehensive plan. He went on to say that at the meeting they reviewed the existing form and made updates. They will be planning another meeting and hope to get it published by the end of 2020. City Attorney Mike Talley mentioned that this was informational only but that in the past the city hired professionals so if this gets to be a problem then the city may need to hire someone. Alderman Chris Ellsworth stated that all that is being done at this point is the updating of the data.

OTHER BUSINESS DEEMED NECESSARY It was brought up to the Board about the IBC and NEC books for the city need to be updated. A list of prices was given to the Board and they were also told that every other city is working out of the 2018 version. If the city decides to update there would need to be a public hearing and the books on display for 90 days prior to them voting on it. City Attorney Mike Talley suggested that someone would need to go through and make a list of exceptions. Mayor Gary Heilbrun stated that the city could start with the exceptions that Carl Junction has and build from there. Motion made by Chris Ellsworth to go with the 2018 code books. The city is to order the books with PDF portions and order all books. This will allow the city to start the 90 day process when they arrive.

Mayor Gary Heilbrun explained to the Board that his initial thought on the street improvements was to make it a \$50,000 per year but that he has since been told that the city may need to start at \$200,000. If this is the case, then the city would need to wait a few more years to build the funds back up and therefore would require the project to be broken up into pieces.

It was brought up to the Mayor to ask the Board what they thought about moving the start time of the August meeting to 6:30 PM to try it out. Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Chris Ellsworth to set the August 10th Board meeting to 6:30 PM. Voting in favor were Baine, White, Hogan and Ellsworth. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There was no further business, a motion was made by Chris Ellsworth, seconded by Adam Hogan to adjourn the meeting. Voting in favor was Baine, White, Hogan and Ellsworth. Nays: None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.