

City Council for City of Duquesne met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 10, 2012, at City Hall. .

Mayor Denny White called meeting to order. David Weaver gave invocation.

Roll call was taken. Mayor Denny White, Aldermen Dale Daniels, Frank Herron, George Reeve, Lisa Daugherty were present. Absent: none. City Attorney Mike Talley, Police Chief Kitch and 27 visitors were also present.

Agenda: Motion made by George Reeve, seconded by Dale Daniels, to approve agenda. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Reeve, Daugherty. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Minutes from August 13 Regular and August 2, 17 & 27 Special Meetings were presented. No changes or corrections minutes were approved as presented.

Financial report for August was presented. Approved and filed for audit.

Court report for August was presented. As there were no changes or corrections, report was approved.

Budget Summary: 11-month summary was presented. New budget year begins October 1. Board set special meeting for September 24 at 7 PM to amend FY12 Budget and approve FY13 Budget.

John Golden (1106 Van Winkle) Rezoning Question: His property at 13<sup>th</sup> & Katherine is two parcels. He wanted to know if it would require 2 applications with separate fees to rezone these or, because these are connected parcels, would it be only 1 application and fee. Board said each property must have its own application and, therefore, fee. He also questioned why he was charged "tap" fee when he connected his property to tap. City Clerk said she should have said "connection" fee. City Attorney agreed to review ordinances.

Public Hearing for Rezoning Requests for 811 Walnut Ridge & 3109 E 13<sup>th</sup>: Motion made by Lisa Daugherty, seconded by George Reeve, to open 811 Walnut Ridge rezoning public hearing. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Reeve, Daugherty. Nays: none. Motion carried. At 7:25 PM, Mayor opened public hearing and asked if anyone was present to speak about request. As no one was present, Mayor closed public hearing.

Motion made by George Reeve, seconded by Dale Daniels, to open 3109 E 13<sup>th</sup> rezoning public hearing. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Reeve, Daugherty. Nays: none. Motion carried. At 7:26 PM, Mayor opened public hearing and asked if

anyone was present to speak about request. Jack Sportsman, property owner, was present and stated he wanted to convert current residential structure into storage for his freezers and office space for Mini-Melts Ice Cream.

Cinda Sweet, 3711 E 13<sup>th</sup>, asked about truck delivery problems with blocking 13<sup>th</sup> Street. Jack's Ice Cream, business currently south of 3109 E 13<sup>th</sup> has caused traffic problems. She was concerned about additional storage facility magnifying problem. As there was no else who wished to speak, at 7:35 PM public hearing was closed.

Motion made by Dale Daniels, seconded by Frank Herron, to approve rezoning request. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Reeve, Daugherty. Nays: none. Motion carried. City Attorney will draft necessary ordinance for October meeting.

Voluntary Annexation Petition for 4765 E 20<sup>th</sup>: Board received copy of petition and set public hearing for October 8, at 7:15 PM.

Bill 12-10 Amend Ordinance 195 Suspend Lot Splits and Mini-Subdivision: Motion made by George Reeve, seconded by Lisa Daugherty, to table bill and schedule public hearing for 7:20 PM, October 8. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Reeve, Daugherty. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Concern about dirt work on Lynnwood was mentioned. Alderman Daugherty agreed to check with DNR (Department of Natural Resources) to verify landowner obtained land disturbance permit.

Sewer Billing: Before end of year, Missouri American Water Company (MAWC) will cease sewer billing for city. Joplin has agreed to do billing at same rate as MAWC at 68¢. Rate will only change if cost to Joplin exceeds billing fee. It would cost Duquesne thousands to purchase software, plus added personnel costs and office expense.

Vote to Go into Closed Section: Motion made by George Reeve, seconded by Dale Daniels, to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021.3 for officer interviews. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Reeve, Daugherty. Nays: none. Motion carried. At 8:05 PM, Board went into closed session.

Board returned to open session at 8:35 P.M. Mayor White stated two officers were interviewed for corporal position.

Old Business: Update on City Matters: Lisa inquired status of obtaining to bids for street cuts. Attorney said bid specs were sent to Allgeier Martin engineering for review.

Building Codes: Board requested 2006 Building, Residential, Plumbing, Mechanical and Fire Codes; and 2005 National Electrical Code be purchased. Books be available for review by pubic for 90 days before adoption. Plan to make codes effective January 1, 2013.

New Business: Police Department Monthly Report: Chief Kitch presented report. Several lots have that were declared weed nuisances at public hearings have been mowed at cost of \$60 for ½ acre lots and \$80 for 1 acre lots.

Bill Summary: August outstanding bills of \$24,436.52; and \$192.98 for Sewer and Wastewater Fund were presented. Motion made by Dale Daniels, seconded by George Reeve, to pay outstanding bills as presented. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Reeve, Daugherty. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Other Updates & Reports: WIB Program has spent approximately \$7million in Duquesne and could spend additional \$1million by project end date, December 31, 2012. Amount included labor force, fuel, equipment purchases and rentals.

Work Session for CDBG \$500,000 Housing Assistance Project scheduled for September 24 meeting.

As there was no further business, motion was made by George Reeve, seconded by Dale Daniels, to adjourn meeting. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Reeve, Daugherty. Nays: none. Motion carried. At 9:20 p.m. meeting adjourned.

Terry Ingram, City Clerk