

CITY OF NANTICOKE



WORK SESSION and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, September 21, 2022

Call to Order: President of Council, William Brown

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito

ROLL CALL:

The following were present: Council Members, William Brown, John Telencho, Lesley Butczynski, Mike Marcella, Joseph Nalepa, Finance Director/City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito, City Manager, Donna Wall and Solicitor, Attorney Finnegan.

WORK SESSION

A Motion to approve the Loan Agreement between the City of Nanticoke and the General Municipal Authority of the City of Nanticoke in the amount of \$700,000 to pay for the demolition of the Ellis Building at 102 E. Washington Street, Nanticoke, Pa. The City of Nanticoke will be reimbursed for the loan funds from DCED grant monies by the General Municipal Authority of the City of Nanticoke. (Subject to final Solicitor approval.)

A motion to approve the receipt of the funding requirements of the City's 2023 (MMO's) Minimal Municipal Obligation. **Police** - \$504,919, **Fire** - \$192,950 and **Non-Uniform** - \$86,385.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

Mayor Kevin Coughlin submitted the August 2022 Department reports for Council's review and Jennifer Polito has posted the reports on the City's website.

City Manager, Donna Wall, informed Council of the following:

- Donna stated that she received a letter from John & Margaret Sokoloski requesting that Lincoln Street from Middle Road to Hanover Street be paved because it is beyond patching. Donna stated the COG will be paving that street.
- All concrete ramps, paving and curbing is complete on Oak, E. Washington and South Streets with funds from the CDBG Block Grant.
- They alleyway off Fairchild Street will be milled and paved next month after the sewer project is completed.
- The COG will be in town in October to pave Alleyway behind the fire department and Sanitary Bakery and Lincoln Street.
- Field Street Ramp project is slated to begin around 9/26/2022 for the rebuilding of the ramp.

A Motion was made by Councilmember Butczynski seconded by Councilmember Nalepa to adjourn the work session.

Motion carried unanimously.

REGULAR MEETING Comments from the Public agenda items only.

None

Old Business

None

New Business

A Motion to approve the September **7, 2022** minutes was made by Councilmember Marcella seconded by Councilmember Butczynski.

Motion carried 4-0. Vice President Telencho abstained.

A Motion to approve the payment of the bills in the amount of **\$536,467.32**, (Payroll(s) \$123,927.74 and Payables \$412,539.58 was made by Councilmember Nalepa seconded by Councilmember Butczynski.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to approve the receipt of the funding requirements of the City's 2023 (MMO's) Minimal Municipal Obligation. **Police** - \$504,919, **Fire** - \$192,950 and **Non-Uniform** - \$86,385 was made by Councilmember Butczynski seconded by Councilmember Nalepa.

Motion carried unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC –

Mayor Kevin Coughlin asked Vice President Telencho to give an update to the public on the demolition of the old Bowlarama. Vice President Telencho stated once Council passes the loan agreement with the Municipal Authority, the Municipal Authority will be awarding the Bid on Monday 9/26/2022 at their meeting. Vice President Telencho stated the demolition should begin around the 10th of October and take approximately 3 – 4 weeks to complete the project.

Mr. John Newman of Oak Street stated he is not here to complain but here to thank the City and Donna Wall for their prompt attention in cleaning up the blight on his street and keeping it maintained. Mr. Newman also thanked Council for paving Oak Street.

State Representative candidate, Alex Ryncavage, attended the Council meeting to introduce himself to the Mayor, Council and the administration.

Correspondence-

None

Announcements-

The City Council will be traveling to different locations for the October 5th & November 2nd Council meetings. The meeting times are the same, 7:00 pm.

The October 5th meeting will be held at the Hanover Fire Department, 108 Espy St.

The November 2nd meeting will be held at the Honey Pot Fire Department, 13 Honey Pot St.

The Luzerne County Recycling Department will be holding a **Used Tire Recycling Event** at the following dates and locations from 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM. This event is for residents only, **NOT** for business such as small garages/service stations, tire dealers or tire manufacturers. **PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**. Please contact 1-800-821-7654 to register. There is a limit of 16 tires per resident. Accepted tires are tires from a regular size car/pickup truck, ATV/UTV, SUV, motorcycle and farm tractor tires. Tires must be off rims and free of heavy dirt and mud. This is a DROPP OFF Event only!!!

October 1, 2022

Drums Elementary School
85 S. Old Turnpike Rd.

October 8, 2022

Hanover Area Jr. Sr. High School
1600 Sans Souci Parkway, Hanover Twp.

The WWSA Stormwater Management Division, in partnership with the Penn State Master Watershed Steward Program, will host a free Rain Barrel Workshop for local residents at Kirby Park on Saturday, September 24, 2022, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Free Rain Barrels will be available to attendees. Please call (570) 825-9483 or email stormwater@wvsa.org to register that you are attending by Wednesday, September 21, 2022.

Councilmember Comments-

Vice President Telencho thanked Mr. Newman for his positive comments.

Councilmember Marcella had no further comments.

Councilmember Butczynski had no further comments.

Councilmember Nalepa had no further comments.

President Brown thanked Alex Ryncavage for coming to the meeting and thanked Mr. Newman for his positive comments.

Meeting Adjournment-

Councilmember Nalepa made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Butczynski, roll call.

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:19 pm.

**Next Meeting, Wed Oct. 5, 2022, at 7:00 pm
at the Hanover Fire Department.**

City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito