



CITY OF NANTICOKE

WORK SESSION and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

Call to Order: President, William Brown

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito

ROLL CALL:

The following were present: Council Members, William Brown, John Telencho via telephone, Lesley Butczynski, Joseph Nalepa, Finance Director/City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito, and Solicitor, Attorney, Shannon Crake-Lapsansky (via telephone) filled in for Attorney William Finnegan.

Excused: Council Member(s), Mike Marcella,

WORK SESSION

No topics for discussion.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

City Manager, Donna Wall has updates for Council:

1. A final walk through on the completed project on Prospect Street was done with Donna Wall, Rick Josefowicz and the City's Engineer, Don Totino. A minor issue was found and will be fixed by the contractor next week.
2. The Streetscape project on Main Street will stop on November 15, 2023 and resume sometime in April 2024.

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 **October 18, 2023** minutes was made by Councilmember Nalepa seconded by Councilmember Butczynski. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion to approve the payment of the bills in the total amount of **\$399,501.36**; (Payroll (s)) \$126,005.56 (Accounts Payable) \$273,495.80 was made by Councilmember Nalepa seconded by Councilmember Butczynski. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC –

Ms. Julianna Zarzycki of Seneca Drive made a complaint on how Councilmember Lesley Butczynski replied to Councilmember Mike Marcella at the October 4, 2023 meeting when discussing the Refuse. Councilmember Lesley Butczynski apologized to Ms. Zarzycki for offending her. President Brown commented that the October 4, 2023 meeting was a regular Council Meeting not a meeting to discuss the Proposed Refuse Fees. President Brown stated the Mayor is in his office Monday through Friday, 10 am to 3 pm and residents should come in to discuss many of the issues brought to the Council meetings to get them resolved. Councilmember Nalepa stated the lack of attendance to the meetings shows how interested the residents are in their city or want to hold a seat on City Council.

Mr. Mike Fedorchak of Honey Pot Street brought to Council's attention that a broken sewer line most likely damaged by the large construction trucks that worked in Honey Pot last year, has caused a large hole to open up and rats are coming out of the broken line. President Brown asked DPW Foreman, Rick Josefowicz to address this issue and Rick replied he would be there on Thursday to inspect the hole. City Manager, Donna Wall asked Mr. Fedorchak to please call the city with issues like this so we can immediately try to resolve them.

Correspondence-

None

Announcements-

The City of Nanticoke's City Hall will be closed on **Friday, November 10, 2023** in observance of Veteran's Day.

The City of Nanticoke's **2024 Proposed Budget** was posted for Public Inspection in the Council Chambers at 15 E. Ridge St. and on the City's website at www.nanticokecity.com on Tuesday, October 31, 2023. The **2024 Budget Hearing** will be held on Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at 6:30 pm. (Prior to the Council Meeting)

The City of Nanticoke's **Annual Christmas Parade and Christmas Tree Lighting** will be held on Saturday, December 2, 2023 at 2:00 pm at the Patriot Park. Santa Claus will arrive on a Fire Truck where he will greet the children and give them a gift. There will be Horse Drawn Carriage Rides and Free Cookies and Hot Chocolate will be served.

Anyone or group who would like to participate in the parade, please email Jennifer Polito at jpolito@nanticokecity.com. Parade starts at 2 pm at the GNA High School and set up begins at 1 pm.

Councilmember Comments-

Councilmember Nalepa stated the Nanticoke Post 350 is having a Memorial Service to honor Veterans at 11 am on Veteran's Day.

Councilmember Butczynski had no further comments.

Vice President Telencho wished Veterans a Happy Veteran's Day on the upcoming holiday.

President Brown had no further comments.

Meeting Adjournment-

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm.

Next Meeting, Wed, Nov. 15, 2023 at 7:00 pm

City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito