

NANTICOKE CITY



WORK SESSION and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 7, 2018

Nanticoke City Hall 7:00PM

Call to Order: President of Council William Brown
Pledge of Allegiance
Invocation: City Clerk, Jennifer Polito

The following were present: Councilors, William Brown, John Pietrzyk, Kevin Coughlin, Nicole Mackiewicz, Solicitor, Attorney William Finnegan, and Finance Director/City Clerk, Jennifer Polito. Interim City Manager, Donna Wall and Councilor Lesley Butczynski were excused from the meeting.

WORK SESSION

A **Motion** to accept the Energy Agreement from Pennoni.

A **Motion** to award the 2013 CDBG project (Hillcrest Drive & Enterprise Streets) to the lowest bidder, M&J Excavation, Inc. in the amount of \$152,514.00.

A **Motion** to award the 2014 CDBG project (West Church Street) to the lowest bidder, M&J Excavation, Inc. in the amount of \$261,329.00.

A **Motion** to award the 2016 CDBG project (West Green Street) to the lowest bidder, American Asphalt Paving, Inc. in the amount of \$159,305.50.

Administrative Updates

The PAWC announced that the Main Street water line project will go out to bid this spring. Jennifer stated that this is what the City has been waiting to hear. Once this is complete, The City will be moving forward with the completion of the streetscape.

Motion was made by Kevin Coughlin, second by Mr. Pietrzyk to adjourn the work session. Meeting adjourned.

REGULAR MEETING Comments from the Public agenda items only.

Mr. John Telencho asked if the CDBG projects are paving only or are they curb to curb. Jennifer stated that they are curb to curb paving and ADA ramps where applicable. Mr. John Telencho wanted to know if the Demolition will begin once the Water Co. is done downtown and will the City be notifying the businesses that their buildings will be demoed. Jennifer stated once we get the approval from PENNDOT and get our permits, then yes to the demolition being done but answered no to notifying the businesses. She stated the Municipal Authority will be contacting the businesses when the time comes.

Mr. Joe John asked if Verizon was done with their underground work. Jennifer stated that they were to her knowledge. She stated the Water Co. is the last utility holding up our streetscape.

Old Business

A **Motion** to approve the January 17, 2018 meeting minutes (that were tabled at the last meeting due to not having enough people) was made by Mrs. Mackiewicz second by Mr. Coughlin. Motion carried.

New Business

A **Motion** to approve the February 21, 2018 meeting minutes was made by Mr. Pietrzyk second by Mr. Brown.

Motion carried.

A **Motion** to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$265,020.19 was made by Mr. Coughlin, second by Mrs. Mackiewicz. Payroll (\$102,239.45) Payables (\$162,780.74.) Motion carried.

A **Motion** to accept the Energy Agreement from Pennoni was tabled to next meeting. The motion to table the agreement was made by Mr. Coughlin, second by Mrs. Mackiewicz. Motion Carried.

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COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC –

Mr. Telencho expressed his concerns about the apartments being built with the \$3,000,000.00 grant. He wanted to know where the people are coming from to rent these apartments. Are people selling their homes to move in and will Slum Lords buy up all their homes in Nanticoke? Why can't we use that grant money to keep the elderly in their homes? Jennifer stated that there are a lot of people in the other apartments that were supposed to be for the elderly and are not that want to move due to noise and traffic in these buildings. Mr. Brown stated that these apartments are not just for Nanticoke residents, they are open to any elderly person that wants to live there. Jennifer also stated, the grant money cannot be used to keep the elderly in their homes. Mr. Telencho wanted to know if the City has heard from the Eagle Scout that is building a bulletin board that was approved by council months ago and is this really going to be completed and kept up by Council members. Mr. Coughlin responded that he will reach out this spring to see how the project is going and YES, council will help with keeping the bulletin board up to date. Anything to help these boys replied Mr. Coughlin.

Correspondence – None

Announcements- None

Meeting Adjournment

Mr. Pietrzyk made the motion to adjourn, second by Mr. Coughlin, roll call.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15PM.

Next Meeting, Wednesday March 21, 2018 at 7:00PM

Jennifer W. Polito
City Clerk