

CITY OF NANTICOKE



WORK SESSION and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 1, 2026

Call to Order: President, Joseph A. Dougherty

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito

ROLL CALL:

The following were present: Council Members, President, Joseph A. Dougherty, Vice President, John Telencho, Kenneth James, Mark O'Connor, Lesley Butczynski, City Manager, Donna Wall, Finance Director/City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito, and Solicitor, Attorney William Finnegan.

Mayor Coughlin, City Councilmembers and the Administration was honored to congratulate the Nanticoke Conservation Club on their 75th Anniversary and to have members of the club attend the Council Meeting this evening.

State Rep Alec Ryncavage Office presented a Citation to the Nanticoke Conservation Club.

Liz from Senator Baker's Office presented a Citation to the Nanticoke Conservation Club.

Mayor Kevin Coughlin presented a Proclamation to the Nanticoke Conservation Club.

WORK SESSION: New Business: (action Items)

A Motion to approve Ordinance #2 of 2026, Second Reading, An Ordinance of City Council of the City of Nanticoke, amending the Zoning Map of the City of Nanticoke, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, to extend the current I-1 District along parcels adjacent to Dziak Drive as more particularly described on the amended zoning map attached as Exhibit "A". This amendment is subject to the condition that a Deed Restriction barring Data Centers as a principal use will be inserted in the Deed from Earth Conservancy to NorthPoint Development which shall remain in effect in perpetuity, said restriction to be approved by the Nanticoke Solicitor.

A Motion to approve Ordinance #3 of 2026, Second Reading, An Ordinance of City Council of the City of Nanticoke, establishing a Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance ("LERTA") Program within the City of Nanticoke located on approximately 35.132 acres of land containing all or part of Tax Parcel Identification Nos.: 42-K7-00A-096-000, 42-K7-00A-008-000, 42-J7K7-00A-005-000, and as described in the Luzerne County Recorder of Deeds Office in book 2587 at page 505 ET SEQ and consider a Tax Abatement schedule.

A Motion to approve Picosita Tacos to serve Wine at their Summer Food Truck Festival held in Patriot Park on Saturday, May 30, 2026 from 12 pm to 7 pm.

A Motion to approve the purchase of a United States Treasury Bill in the amount of \$4.5 million dollars yielding approx. 3.63% for Six (6) months with M&T Securities on April 2, 2026.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES:

City Manager, Donna Wall has updates for Council.

1. PA American Water Company was out to the new DPW Building to install the water lines to the building. The DPW Building should be ready to move in in early May.

A Motion was made by Councilmember James seconded by Councilmember O'Connor to adjourn the work session. Motion carried unanimously.

REGULAR MEETING Comments from the Public agenda items only.

None.

Old Business

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New Business

A Motion to approve the minutes from the March 18, 2026 Work Session/Regular Council Meeting was made by Councilmember O'Connor seconded by Councilmember James. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion to approve the payment of the bills in the total amount of **\$424,323.22** [(Payrolls) \$123,718.67 (Accounts Payable) \$300,604.55] was made by Councilmember James seconded by Councilmember Telencho. Motion carried unanimously.

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Abatement schedule was made by Councilmember O'Connor seconded by Councilmember James.
Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion to approve Picosita Tacos to serve Wine at their Summer Food Truck Festival held in Patriot Park on Saturday, May 30, 2026 from 12 pm to 7 pm was made by Councilmember Butczynski seconded by Councilmember Telencho.
Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion to approve the purchase of a United States Treasury Bill in the amount of \$4.5 million dollars yielding approx. 3.63% for Six (6) months with M&T Securities on April 2, 2026 was made by Councilmember O'Connor seconded by Councilmember Butczynski.
Motion carried unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC –

Mr. Mike Marcella of 20 E. Church Street reported a large pot hole on the 300 block of E. Green Street and a trailer by the Citizens Center on Green Street has wood and old mattresses in it and has not moved in months. City Manager, Donna Wall replied we will send Jonathan, City's Code Officer, over to look into this issue.

Mr. Doug Harpersberger of Church Street stated the speeding on W. Church Street is bad and suggested a stop sign to be installed to slow down traffic. Chief Mile Roke replied he will have his officers enforce this area.

Correspondence-

None

Announcements-

City Hall will be closed on **Friday, April 3, 2026** in observance of Good Friday and the Easter weekend. We wish everyone a Happy Easter!!

The City-Wide Yard Sale is Scheduled for **Saturday, May 16, 2026** (Rain Date is Sunday, May 17, 2026). The city will post a list of addresses participating in the yard sale on the city's Facebook page. Please call (570) 735-2800 ext. 101 if you would like your address added to the list by Wednesday May 13, 2026.

On **April 25, 2026** the City of Nanticoke and the Nanticoke Conservation Club will be holding an Earth Day Clean Up Day. Anyone who would like to participate, please report to the LCCC Student Parking Lot by Weis Market at 8:00 am. Rain Date is May 2, 2025.

Councilmember Comments-

Vice President Telencho congratulated the Nanticoke Conservation Club and stated he is proud to be a member of this club. Councilmember Telencho wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Councilmember James thanked State Rep. Alec Ryncavage, Liz from Senator Baker's office and Mayor Coughlin for their presentations and stated it was an honor to acknowledge the 75th Anniversary of the Nanticoke Conservation Club. Councilmember James wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Councilmember O'Connor thanked State Rep. Alec Ryncavage, Liz from Senator Baker's office and Mayor Coughlin for their presentations and stated it was an honor to acknowledge the 75th Anniversary of the Nanticoke Conservation Club. Councilmember O'Connor stated the club has a wonderful group of guys who have been around a long time and thanked them for all that they do in the community. Councilmember O'Connor wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Councilmember Butczynski thanked State Rep. Alec Ryncavage, Liz from Senator Baker's office and Mayor Coughlin for their presentations and stated it was an honor to acknowledge the 75th Anniversary of the Nanticoke Conservation Club. Councilmember Butczynski wished everyone a Happy Easter.

President Dougherty thanked State Rep. Alec Ryncavage, Liz from Senator Baker's office and Mayor Coughlin for their presentations and stated it was an honor to acknowledge the 75th Anniversary of the Nanticoke Conservation Club. Councilmember Dougherty wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Meeting Adjournment-

Councilmember Butczynski made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember O'Connor, roll call.
Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:27 pm.

Next Meeting:

Work Session/Council Meeting Monday April 15, 2026 @ 6:00 pm.

City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito