



## NANTICOKE CITY

### WORK SESSION and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

September 5, 2018

Nanticoke City Hall 7:00 PM

Call to Order: Vice President of Council Kevin Coughlin

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: City Clerk, Jennifer Polito

The following were present: Councilors, Lesley Butczynski, John Pietrzyk, Kevin Coughlin, Nicole Mackiewicz, Solicitor, Attorney William Finnegan, Finance Director/City Clerk, Jennifer Polito and Interim City Manager, Donna Wall. Excused: Pres. of Council, William Brown.

#### **WORK SESSION-**

**A Motion** to approve Resolution # 12 of 2018 authorizing the appropriate City Official to apply for a Keystone Community's Fund Grant in the amount of \$500,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used on the Nantego Project.

#### **Administrative Updates-**

**Donna Wall-** She stated she would have the Stop Sign report within the next week.

**A Motion** was made by Ms. Butczynski, second by Mr. Pietrzyk to adjourn the work session. Work session adjourned.

#### **REGULAR MEETING** Comments from the Public agenda items only.

None

#### **Old Business**

None

#### **New Business**

**A Motion** to approve the August 15, 2018 meeting minutes was made by Mrs. Mackiewicz, second by Mr. Pietrzyk. Motion carried.

**A Motion** to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$347,252.05 was made by Mr. Pietrzyk, second by Ms. Butczynski. Payroll (\$213,728.67) Payables (\$133,523.38.) Motion carried.

**A Motion** to approve Resolution # 12 of 2018 authorizing the appropriate City Official to apply for a Keystone Community's Fund Grant in the amount of \$500,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used on the Nantego Project was made by Mrs. Mackiewicz, second by Ms. Butczynski. Motion carried.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC –**

**Mr. John Telencho** wanted to know what the sign means that is posted when the City condemns a property. He wanted to know what is done by the City once a property is condemned because some of the signs had been posted for a long time. Do we know how many in town have been condemned and is there a list. Donna stated we do have a list and it is maintained by the Code Department. She instructed him to see Jack if he would like to see the list. She said a home can be condemned if it is not fit for humans to live there or it could be structurally unsafe. Mr. Telencho is specifically questioning the property on the corner of Prospect & E. South St. He asked that Jennifer put this on the next agenda under “Old Business” and he would like an update by Jack. Mr. Telencho asked why the Field St paving has not been completed by the COG. Donna stated we had to move Field St. from first to last due to issues with storm drains and it needs to be milled. She stated before the COG moves ahead, we want to make sure the street is ready and we want it done right. He then question Kosciuszko St. and Donna stated the Water Company will do it when their project is complete. He also questioned Market Street and Donna replied that will be done with the PIB Loan proceeds. Mr. Telencho inquired about the Dollar General whether or not it will go on the tax rolls or not. Donna replied it will be on the tax rolls that they did not apply for tax exempt status.

**Mr. Bill Voyton** asked Council whether or not they intend to appeal the Judge’s ruling against Chief Thomas Wall or will he be leaving his position. He asked if the Mayor makes the decision to appeal or does Council have any say in the matter. He asked who is funding the attorney fees. Council women Ms. Butczynski replied that a decision has not been made because Council and Mayor have not discussed this matter as of yet. Attorney Finnegan replied that it is the Mayor’s decision whether or not the City appeals the ruling since it is his appointment.

**Correspondence –**

WVIA will be documenting the history and the day in the life of residents in Nanticoke in their 34<sup>th</sup> Edition of Our Town. Community meetings dates are Sept 13, 2018 & Sept 20, 2018 at 6:30 pm here at City Hall. Please come out and join us to share your stories.

**Announcements-**

Council Vice President, Mr. Coughlin announced that the Citywide Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday, September 15, 2018, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. (Rain Date is Sunday September 16, 2018). Participants are to call City Hall with your name and address to be put on a yard sale list. Please call Betsy Cheshinski at (570) 735-2800 ext. 110 with any questions.

**Meeting Adjournment**

Ms. Butczynski made the motion to adjourn, second by Mr. Pietrzyk, roll call. Motion carried to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.

Next Meeting, Wed September 19, 2018 at 7:00 PM

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Jennifer W. Polito  
City Clerk