

#### CITY OF NANTICOKE

# WORK SESSION and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

### Wednesday, February 21, 2024

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, Joseph Nalepa, Joseph Dougherty, Kenneth James, Mark O'Connor, City Manager, Donna Wall, Finance Director/City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito, and Solicitor, Attorney Rachel Finnegan.

### **WORK SESSION: (action Items)**

**Motion to approve** the sale of the 2020 Caterpillar 07A Mini Excavator to the WVSA for \$82,000.00.

**Motion to approve** the Polling Place Agreement with Luzerne County for 2024 elections. **Motion to approve** the purchase of new commercial carpeting at the Firehouse from Giant Floor & Wall Coverings in the amount of \$7,439.00 using the American Rescue Plan Funds.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES:**

Mayor Kevin Coughlin has submitted the <u>January 2024 Department Reports</u> for Council's review and Jennifer Polito has posted them on the City's website at <u>www.nanticokecity.com</u>.

**Mayor Kevin Coughlin** executed **Executive Order # 8 of 2024**, appointing Jonathan Lang as the 504 Officer for the City of Nanticoke. (For informational puposes only)

### City Manager, Donna Wall has updates for Council:

- The Lower South Valley COG organized a meeting with officials from Luzerne County to discuss the Nanticoke/W. Nanticoke Bridge. No decisions were made and the County is looking to find additional funding to replace the entire bridge. The next meeting for further discussion is on Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 5pm and anyone is welcome to attend.
- 2. There is a major sewer line break at College and Church Streets. RLE, Inc. is in town doing work for the water company so the City hired them to do the emergency repair since they were here and their machinery is here in town.

**A Motion** was made by Councilmember Dougherty 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 minutes from the February 7, 2024 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 \$492,838.10 (Payroll) \$144,222.77 (Accounts Payable) \$348,615.33 was made by Councilmember Dougherty seconded by Councilmember Nalepa. Motion carried unanimously.

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### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC -**

Fire Chief, Mark Boncal had two announcements for Council and City Residents. First, on March 11, 2024 through March 16, 2024 the Pioneer Hook and Ladder Co. (Volunteer Firefighters) are having a fundraiser and Firehouse Subs will have a Food Truck at the Firehouse from 11 am to 7 pm and they will be back sometime in August. Second, on May 24, 2024 the Firefighters Union is holding a charity Golf Tournament for Foundation 58. Foundation 58 supports firefighters who are experiencing hard times. The cost is \$100 per golfer and we are looking for organizations to sponsor the event.

### Correspondence-

None

## **Announcements-**

None

### **Councilmember Comments-**

**Councilmember Nalepa** had no further comments.

**Councilmember Dougherty** had no further comments.

**Councilmember James** commended the DPW Department for the great job clearing the roads during the past two snow storms.

**Councilmember O'Connor** commended the DPW Department for the great job clearing the roads during the past two snow storms and stated the guys work hard to clear the roads.

President Brown had no further comments.

# **Meeting Adjournment-**

Councilmember Dougherty made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember James, roll call.

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm. Next Meeting:

Work Session/Council Meeting Wed. March 6, 2024 @

7:00 pm.

City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito